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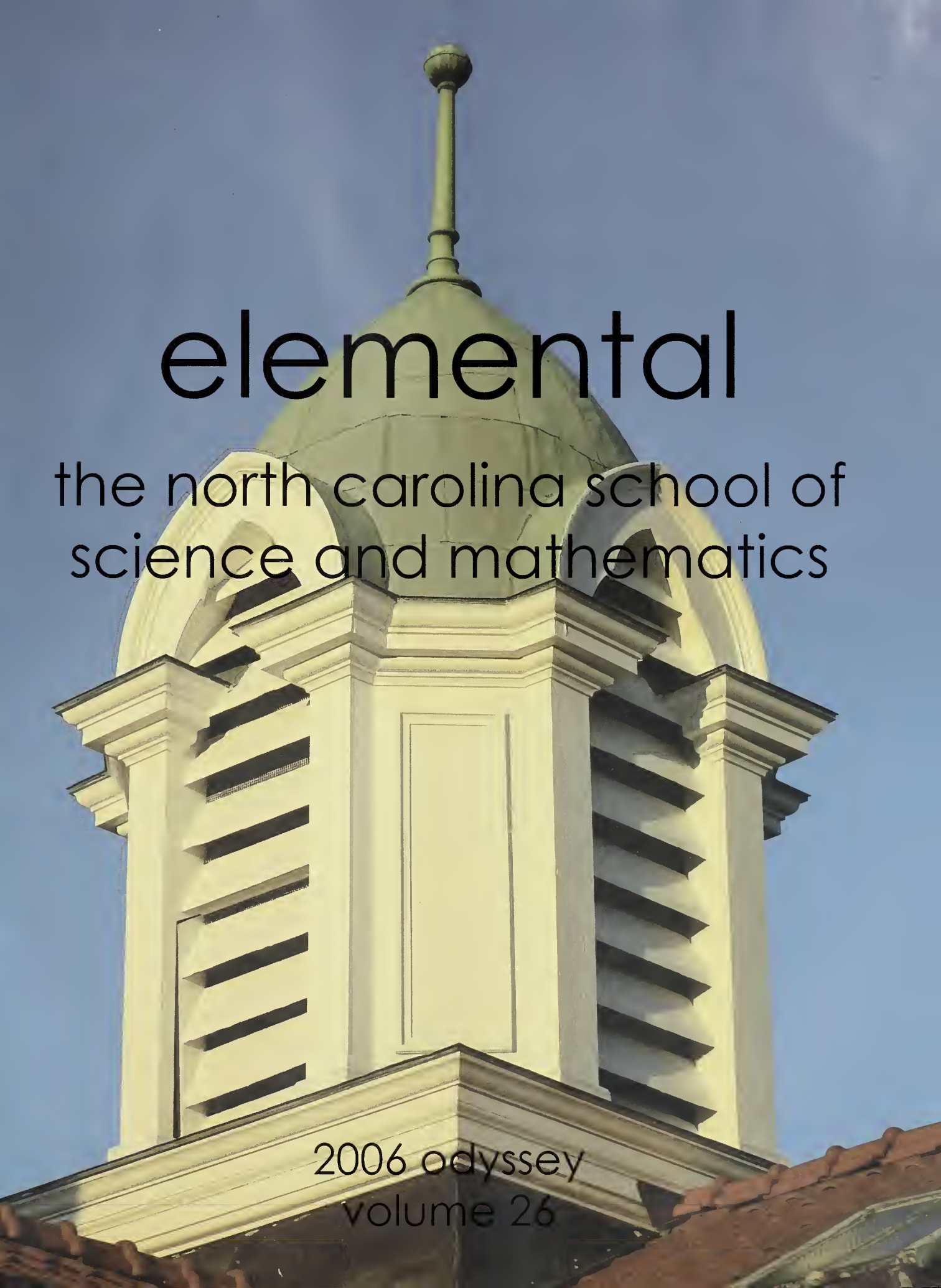

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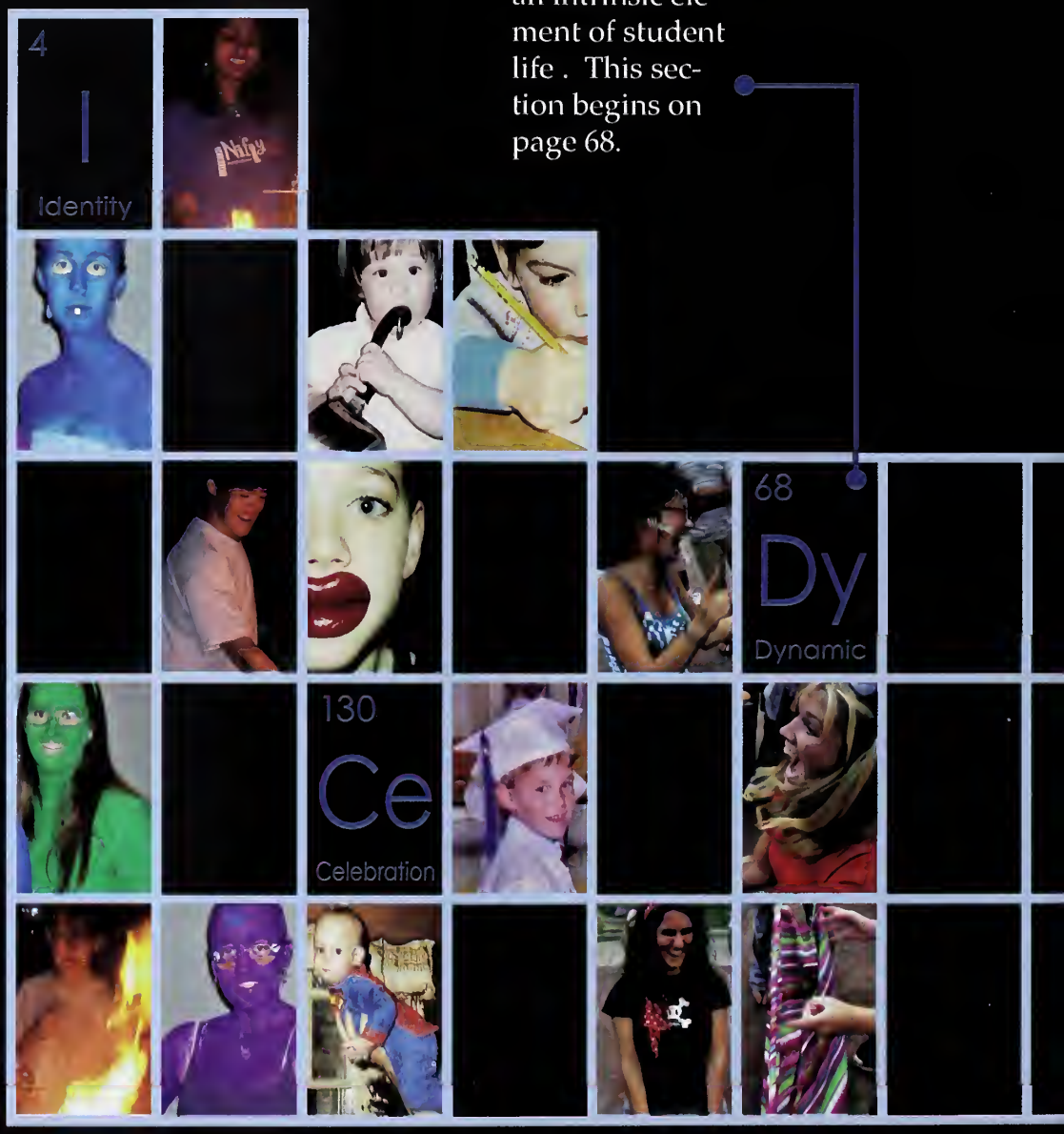

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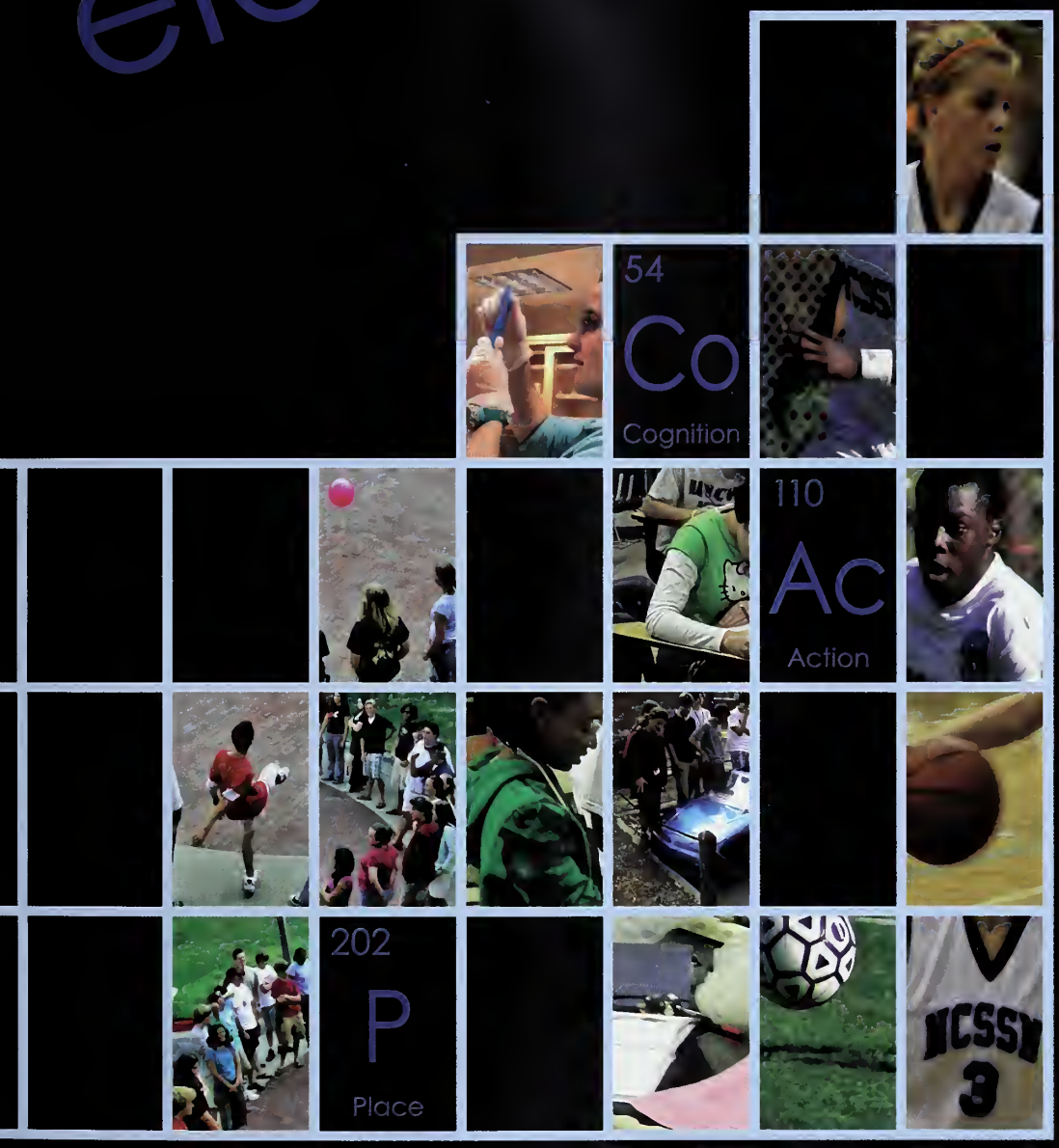

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People

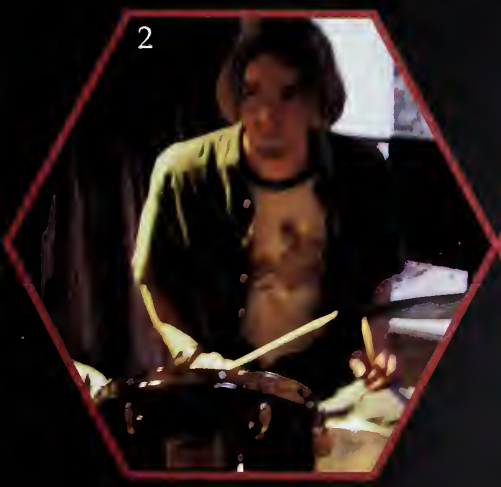
1. Making s'mores during a Brother/Sister hall activitiy, Victor Lieu, Veena Rajan and Theresa Crowgey bonded.

2. "Music is a huge part of my life, and I try to be as creative and original as possible on all the instruments I play," said Carl Schissler, who has played drums for more than a year.

3. "We wanted to do something that no one else was going to do," Alex Solomon said. Alex, Bryn McDonald and Amelia Wallace dressed up as 'Modern Art' for Team Jeopardy.

4. Enjoying each others company, Jessica Lynch and Mesha Batts celebrated the unveiling of the Rosa Parks picture on Martin Luther King Day.

Discovering and forming identity was an elemental aspect of life at NCSSM. "You can start over when you get here; people don't know everything about you like they do at home. You get first impressions all over again. You can become the person you want to be," Stephanie Laboy said. When students first came to NCSSM, they had an opportunity to change their identity. Doc Dougherty even changed his name from John to Doc: "there are too many Johns in the world," Doc explained. After the first few weeks there was still room for personal identity to change. With the hundred and some clubs and a never-ending course catalog, students were given opportunities to become involved in subjects that they had never considered before. "I have grown so much since I have come here and recognized who I was even more," Stephanie Kiser said. In addition to the freedom of finding personal identity, there was a strong sense of community that all students could identify with. "NCSSM even has its own language. Whenever I say something like 'SLI', my friends at home just stop listening," Sarah Schoenfeldt said. Every student went through 8:00 check, housekeeping, and late night fire-drills, and they could also relate to the joy of beasting a hard exam and the excitement when the PFM used the "good" ice cream. Alex Cole-Weiss said, "When I meet someone who has gone to Science and Math, there is an immediate connection because I know that I don't have to explain S&M to them; they want to know the important things, like where I lived, the secret places I found, and the adventures I had."



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Mark AbuMoussa
"Hakuna Matata" - Pumba

Sam AbuMoussa
"Rule No. 5: You're an idiot."
- *Wedding Crashers*

Matt Alfaro
"If you don't know what you want, you end up with a lot you don't."
- Chuck Palahniuk

Elizabeth Alloway
"Where there is great love, there are always wishes." - Willa Cather

Tim Allsup
"To live is the rarest thing in the world. Most people exist, that is all."
- Oscar Wilde

Julia Alspaugh
"Be mischievous and you will not be lonesome." - Unknown

Aisha Amuda
"If I was the sun, I would shout, ' I've got so much shining left before I'm out.'" - Phantom Planet

Elizabeth Anderson
"Wrinkles will only go where the smiles have been." - Jimmy Buffett

Kimberly Applewhite
"O be thou wise; what can I say more?" - Jacob 4:10

Matt Ball
" ...The great ocean of truth lay all undiscovered before me." - Newton

Jenn Batchelor
"So let us love, dear love, like as we ought. Love is the lesson which the Lord us taught." - Spenser

Mesha Batts
"Remember the good times, forget the bad times, learn to love, keep it holy, smile and be happy."

Jim Beckner
"Great minds discuss ideas. Average minds discuss events. Small minds discuss people." - Unknown

Amy Beeston
"The journey is the destination."
- Unknown

Daniel Beyer
"So it goes." - Kurt Vonnegut

Jeffrey Blackwell
"When the power of love overcomes the love of power the world will know peace." - Jimi Hendrix

Ben Bogardus
"Boone, I anticipate a ... deeply religious experience." - *Animal House*

Bonnie Bommelje
"It's only after we've lost everything that we're free to do anything."
- Chuck Palahniuk

Scott Bowen
"Do not worry about your problems with mathematics, I assure you mine are far greater." - Albert Einstein

Kevin Boyette
"Risks must be taken, because the greatest hazard in life is to risk nothing." - Unknown

Melorah Brackley
"KATA TON DAIMONA EAYTOY"
- *The Lizard King*

Melissa Bragg
"It still remains true that no justification of virtue will enable a man to be virtuous." - C.S. Lewis

Kevin Breheny
"Have you ever realized how fun homework is? Me either."

Danielle Brewington
"Hey! Get off my pillow!"

Nia Bridges
"The past is a ghost, the future a dream. All we ever have is now."
- Bill Cosby

Courtney Brown
"You should never let the sun set on tomorrow before the sun rises today."
- Nine Days

Quanetta Brown
"The richest love is that which lasts through time apart to someday be together." - Anonymous

Steve Brown
"I will never forget powerful times at the globe. I love all of Colours! Imago Dei! My inner circle! First Hunt rules!"

Kal Bugica
"To dream the impossible dream."
- *Man of La Mancha*

Steven Burgess
"Science without religion is lame, religion without science is blind."
- Albert Einstein

Geri Butner
"The greatest pleasure in life is doing what people say you cannot do."
- Walter Bagehot

Brandon Byers
"The highest result of education is tolerance." - Helen Keller

Class of 2006

Haolan Cai
"Dreams that come true aren't real dreams." - Full Metal Alchemist

Chris Calascione
"Plato is boring." - Friedrich Nietzsche

Alexander Calhoun
"Try not. Do, or do not. There is no try." - Master Yoda

Brendan Cannell
"'Quote' is a verb. 'Quotation' is a noun."

Ramsey Cardwell
"The church says the earth is flat, but I know that it is round, for I have seen the shadow on the moon..." - Magellan

Samantha Carey
"Insanity: doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results." - Albert Einstein

Saleem Carlson

Turner Carroll
"We have no need for genius -- genius is dead." - Henry Miller

Kate Carter
"Today may be the beginning of the end or the end of the beginning or the beginning of the beguine. Fight fire with marshmallows."- R. Williams

Jeanne Chen
"I haven't failed. I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work." - Thomas Edison

Kevin Chen
"We don't recall days, but moments. Life's richness lies in memories we've forgotten." - Cesare Pavese

Sara Cheney
"I am going to hit you....in the face.... with my face."

Katie Cheng
"The road to Hell is paved with good intentions..." - Unknown

Philip Cheng
"Always remember that you are absolutely unique, just like everyone else." - Unknown

Whitney Chrisco
"If you want to make it bad enough, no matter how bad it is, you can make it." - Gale Sayers

Thomas Christy
"Cry in the dojo, laugh on the battle-field." - Samurai Proverb

Christen Chu
"If Gandhi were alive today, what would he be doing?"

Connie Chu
"The Lord your God is with you, he is mighty to save." - Zephaniah 3:17

Christine Chun
"Time flies like an arrow, fruit flies like a banana." - Groucho Marx

Travis Cianciulli
"You're only given a little spark of madness. You mustn't lose it." - Robin Williams

Molly Cline
"Lead a life uncommon." - Jewel

Annie Clontz
"Never confuse mathematics for reality." - Dr. Britton

Alex Cole-Weiss
"Whatever you can do, or dream you can, begin it. Boldness has genius, power and magic in it. Begin it now." - Goethe

Courtney Colwell
"Keep it real." - Ali G.

Lilly Cooke
"Never let the fear of striking out get in your way." - Babe Ruth

Chelsey Cooley
"Life is a school of probability." - Walter Bagehot

Chris Cotter
"Science without religion is lame, religion without science is blind. - Albert Einstein

Jon Courtney

Nathan Cox
"It does not matter how slowly you go so long as you do not stop."
- Confucius

Ashlee Crewe
"Failure is only the opportunity to begin again, this time more wisely."
- Unknown

Theresa Crowgey
"He made the world to be a grassy road before her wandering feet."
- Yeats

Carter Crowl
"Napalm is nature's toothpaste!"
- Chief Brian (Ctrl-Alt-Delete)

Cortney Dahlgren
"May the Force be with you."
- *Star Wars*

Brittany Dancy
"I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." - Philippians 3:14

Robert Davis
"Any idiot can face a crisis - it's day to day living that wears you out.
- Anton Chekhov

Chase Debnam
"All other animals look downward; man, alone, erect, can raise his face toward heaven." - Ovid

Most Contagious
Laugh

Gabi Ghali & Lauren Wood

Nisel Desai
"A girl should be two things: classy and fabulous." - Coco Chanel

Nitisha Desai
"Test everything. Hold on to the good." - 1 Thessalonians 5:21

Priya Desai
"Knowledge is Power. Power Corrupts. Study Hard. Be Evil."

George Djaniants
"Be courteous to all, but intimate with few; and let those few be well tried before you give them your confidence." - George Washington

Most Likely to be at

Happy Half

Patrick McKinnon & Katie Tygielski

CJ Domingo
"Opportunities multiply as they are seized." - Sun Tzu

John "Doc" Dougherty
"Blah blah blah ... people talkin' and I don't care what they're sayin'."

Ray Doyle
"Who controls the past controls the future. Who controls the present controls the past." - George Orwell

Dan Duncan

Corey Dunn
"These are the days we're all going to look back on, so give yourself something to remember them by."

Mary Eannarino
"After awhile they forgot everything but the good & true things they would do someday." - Brian Andreas

Will Eisenmenger
"We play by their rules long enough and it becomes our game."
- Orson Scott Card (*Ender's Game*)

Nathan Ellenfield
"There's a secret in the tip of the nose."

Anna Engelke
"Life loves to be taken by the lapel and told: 'I'm with you kid. Let's go.'"
- Maya Angelou

Lindsey Erps
"Live each season as it passes; breathe the air, drink the drink, taste the fruit, and resign yourself to the influences of each." - Henry David Thoreau

Christian Estes
"Behind every great man is a woman rolling her eyes."
- Bruce Nolan (*Bruce Almighty*)

Amanda Eure
"Life is only what you make it"
- Unknown

Brian Evans
"Holy Kleenex, Batman! It was right under our nose and we blew it!"

Heather Faircloth
"Go back to the last place where you knew who you were."
- Timothy B. Tyson

Sarah Fann
"A champion is someone who gets up, even when he can't." - Unknown

Melissa Farr
"Destruction is the cause of coming into being; the old mold must be destroyed for the new to take shape."
- Sabina Spielrein

Casey Farren
"I need Mayo."
- Coheed and Cambria

Heather Ferguson
"The best is yet to come."
- Frank Sinatra

Sterling Fitzgerald
"The man who has no imagination has no wings." - Muhammad Ali

Courtney Fox
"Success is not a result of spontaneous combustion. You must set yourself on fire." - Fred Shero

Caroline Fryar
"How can you expect a man who's warm to understand a man who's cold?" - Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn

Carlos Fuentes
"Music, I feel, must be emotional first and intellectual second."
- Maurice Ravel

Elizabeth Garrard
"Let go." - Frou Frou

Gabi Ghali
"I would never star as myself, unless I was Julia Roberts."

Rachel Gilgen
"People call these things imperfections, but they're not...that's the good stuff."
- *Good Will Hunting*

Tara Gill
"Always laugh when you can. It is cheaper than medicine." - Unkown

Jay Goel
"'Well,' he mumbled at last, 'doubtless there are other roads.'
- Stephen Crane

Laurelle Gonzalez
"We live in a wheel where everyone steals, but when we rise it's like strawberry fields." - Bush

Julianne Goyena
"Always be a first-rate version of yourself, instead of a second-rate version of somebody else." - Judy Garland

Victoria Griffin
"My help comes from the Lord, The Maker of Heaven and Earth."
- Psalm 121:2

Most Likely to be
Famous

Aaron "Shreds" Schmidt & May Liu

Peter Grochowski
"Never take it seriously, you never get hurt. Never get hurt, you can always have fun."
- Lady Goodman (*Almost Famous*)

Stevie Hamby
"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."
- Eleanor Roosevelt

Jessica Hanson
"Trust thyself: every heart vibrates to that iron string."
- Ralph Waldo Emerson

Cynthia Harbison
"Don't lose the dreams inside your head. They're only there, and then you're dead (so dream)."
- Dave Matthews Band

Alex Hardee
"Without courage all virtues lose their meaning." - Winston Churchill

Jenna Hardison
"The invariable mark of wisdom is to see the miraculous in the common."
- Ralph Waldo Emerson

Darryl Hart
"Reality is wrong. Dreams are real."
- Tupac Shakur

Lindsay Haslebacher
"The woods would be very silent if no birds sang except those that sang best."
- Henry Van Dyke

Class of 2006

Paula Mary Hendricks
"There is a soul in all living creatures, although the body of each is different."
- Hippocrates

Stéphane Henrion
"La science n'a pas de patrie."
- Louis Pasteur
(Science has no nationality.)

Jessica Hewett
"I don't mind living in a man's world as long as I can be a woman in it."
- Marilyn Monroe

Adam Hinnant
"The man who will ... see how much he can give for a dollar, instead of how little he can give for a dollar, is bound to succeed." - Henry Ford

Sarah Hoyt
"Wheresoever you go, go with all your heart." - Confucius

Emma Htun
"Work out your own salvation. Do not depend on others." - Buddha

Ben Hu
"It isn't the mountains ahead to climb that wear you out; it's the pebble in your shoe." - Muhammad Ali

Charles Hughes
"They may kick our [butts], but they'll never kick our freedom!"
- Woogy (*Arfenhouse* 2)

Perry Isner
"Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might."
- Ecclesiastes 9:10

Kyle Ivey
"Time and tide wait for no man."
- Geoffrey Chaucer

Most Likely to be an

S.L.I.

CJ Domingo & Margaret Yim

Susan Jaconis
"Sometimes you're the windshield; sometimes you're the bug."
- Mark Knopfler

Daniel Jang
"I never see what has been done; I only see what remains to be done."
- Buddha

Alexandra Jay
"My life has been the poem I would have writ. But I could not both live and utter it." - Henry David Thoreau

Andrew Johnson
"Let the beauty we love be what we do - there are hundreds of ways to kneel and kiss the ground." - Rumi

Wesley Johnson
"God writes the gospel not in the Bible alone but on trees and flowers and clouds and stars." - Luther

Mignon Johnston
"The art of interpretation is not to play what is written." - Pablo Casals

Calley Jones
"Courage is being afraid and saddling up anyway." - John Wayne

David Jones
"To be yourself, you first have to know who you are."

Molly Jones
"The great pleasure in life is doing what people say you cannot do."
- Walter Bagehot

Raven Jones

Grace Joo
"I can do everything through him who gives me strength." - Philippians 4:13

Eric Jorgensen
"This is it, this is life." - *Garden State*

Mohammed Khan
"Do first things first, and second things not at all." - Peter Drucker

Irwin Ki
"I'm going to graduate on time, no matter how long it takes."
- a college student

Jin Kim
"Your talent is God's gift to you. What you do with it is your gift back to God." - Leo Buscaglia

Jina Kim
"People are just as happy as they make up their minds to be."
- Abraham Lincoln

Dynamic Duo

Sam & Mark AbuMoussa

Sung Taek Kim
"I need my Safety Blanket."
- Victoria Park

Stephanie Kiser
"The biggest adventure you can ever take is to live the life of your dreams."
- Oprah

Breta Kotkin
"Be true to your work, your word, and your friend." - Henry David Thoreau

Shria Kumar
"Even if you're on the right track, you'll get run over if you just sit there." - Will Rogers

Stacy Kvit
"The black and green scarecrow is sadder than me/but now he's resigned to his fate/'cause life's not unkind./He doesn't mind." - Syd Barrett

Jasmine Lagrone
"Trials teach us what we are; they dig up the soil, and let us see what we are made of." - Charles Spurgeon

Lauren Lamontagne
"The heart has its reasons for which reason knows not of." - Pascal

Joey Lane
"Seek the joy of being alive." - Brick

Lucas Lankford
"If you're not living on the edge, you're taking up too much space."
- Anonymous

John Lashlee
"Ratzinger will be known as Pope Sidious I." - Wikipedia

Sharlie Latiolais
"Education is [when] you are being instructed by somebody you do not know about something you do not want to know." - G.K. Chesterton

Michael Lavarnway
"Only those who will risk going too far can possibly find out how far they can go." - T.S. Eliot

Chris Leyton
"Success usually comes to those who are too busy to be looking for it."
- Henry David Thoreau

David Li
"Right now I'm having amnesia and deja vu at the same time. I think I've forgotten this before."
- Stephen Wright

Frank Liao
"30 bucks for a friggin' graduation gown? Do you know how many Big Macs I could've bought with that?"

Victor Lieu
"...Your mountains & rivers know the secret. Pay no attention to boundaries." - Brian Andreas

Eric Lifka
"Perhaps it's impossible to wear an identity without becoming what you pretend to be." - Orson Scott Card

Elizabeth Liles
"My brain is smarter than I am."
- Joe Liles

Luke Lin
"I go to school, but I don't learn what I want to." -
Calvin (*Calvin and Hobbes*)

Sunny Lin
"This fairy tale is far from over."

May Liu
"Never be afraid to be yourself because the people who care don't matter and the people who matter don't care."

Julia Lockamy
"I'm glad I did it. Partly because it was worth it, but mostly because I shall never have to do it again."
- Mark Twain

Martin Locklear
"I am free because I know that I alone am truly responsible for my actions."

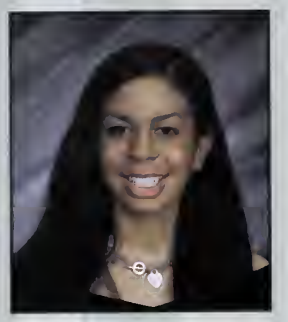
Matt Locklear
"I don't play Halo here because I'm awesome, I just play here because the rest of you guys aren't."

Best Dressed

Bianca Nguyen & Adam Hinnant

Hailey Loftis
"There have been many kings, but only one Michelangelo." - Unknown

Matthew Long
"The important thing is not to stop questioning." - Albert Einstein

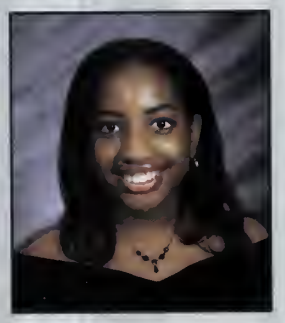


Jessica Lynch
"Do not go where the path may lead; go instead where there is no path and leave a trail" - Ralph Waldo Emerson

Emily Madara
"Memory is a way of holding onto the things you love, the things you are, the things you never want to lose."
- *The Wonder Years*

Most Athletic

Ashlee Crewe & Matt Ball



Kendra Manhertz
"Time you enjoy wasting was not wasted." - John Lennon

Joseph Mann
"Back and forth. Forever."))<>((
- *Me and You and Everyone We Know*

Thomas Manning
"Democracy! Bah! When I hear that word I reach for my feather boa!"
- Allen Ginsberg

Maris Mann-Stadt
"How high does the sycamore grow? If you cut it down you'll never know..."
- Disney's *Pocahontas*

Andy Martin
"If you get confused just listen to the music play." - Grateful Dead

Douglas Massengill
"Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other."
- John F. Kennedy

Ann Mast
"We do not remember days; we remember moments." - Cesare Pavese

Elsa Mata
"First they ignore you. Then they laugh at you. Then they fight you. Then you win." - Mahatma Gandhi

James McCann
"Bíonn dhá insint ar scéal agus dhá leagan déag ar amhrán."

Bryn McDonald
"Only passions, great passions, can elevate the soul to great things."
- Denis Diderot

Peggy McKay
"Discover the element of good in your enemy and focus your attention there."
- Martin Luther King, Jr.

Patrick McKinnon

Ben McMillan

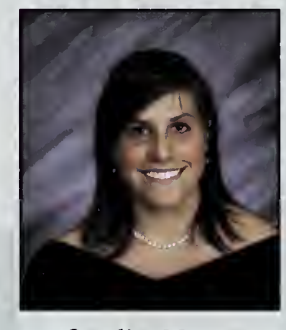
Suman Medda
"You know, Hobbes, some days even my lucky rocketship underpants don't help." - Calvin

Katy Millay
"The art of flying lies in learning how to throw yourself at the ground and miss." - Douglas Adams

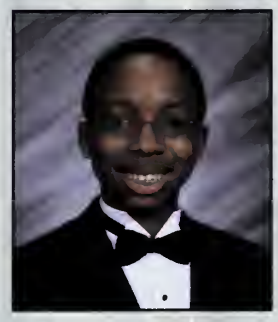
Ben Miller
"I'll be mellow when I'm dead!"
- "Weird Al" Yankovic

Stephanie Mills
"[Happiness is] the full use of your powers along lines of excellence."
- John F. Kennedy

Quinn Morris
"It takes courage to grow up and turn out to be who you really are."
- E.E. Cummings



Caroline Morton
"The best things are unseen. That's why we close our eyes when we kiss, cry, pray and dream." - Anonymous



Vann Newkirk
"The future belongs to those who prepare for it today." - Malcolm X

Bianca Nguyen
"There's never enough time to do all the nothing you want."
- Calvin and Hobbes

Frances Ni
"It is not length of life, but depth of life." - Ralph Waldo Emerson

Chelsea Nielsen
"La mondo ne havas atendejon."
- Maurits Dekker
(The world has no waiting room.)

Saket Nigam
"It is better to be hated for what you are than to be loved for something you are not." - Andre Gide

Class of 2006

Teryn Norris-Hale
"History has given you an empire, if you will keep it." - Benjamin Franklin

Ellie Norton
"Not all who wander are lost."
- J.R.R. Tolkien

Nash Page
"Without change, something sleeps inside us, and seldom awakens. The sleeper must awaken." - Frank Herbert

Eva Panjwani
"We shall find peace. We shall hear the angels, we shall see the sky sparkling with diamonds." - Anton Chekhov

Victoria Park
"To the world you may be one person, but to one person you may be the world."

Aditi Parmar
"Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened." - Dr. Seuss

Amee Patel
"Do not go where the path may lead; go instead where there is no path and leave a trail" - Ralph Waldo Emerson

Donovan Patterson
"Place your clothes and weapons where you can find them in the dark."
- Lazarus Long

Jonathan Pegram
"If everyone is thinking alike, someone isn't thinking."
- General George Patton Jr.

Erica Perry
"Saying, touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm."
- 1 Chronicles 16:22

Brittney Peters-Barnes
"Reality is wrong. Dreams are for real." - Tupac Shakur

Genevieve Pike
"Humor is part of leadership, getting along with people, and getting things done." - Dwight Eisenhower

Pedro Pimentel

Kimberly Poston
"I intend to live forever. So far, so good." - Steven Wright

Adam Preslar
"It is the mark of an educated mind to be able to entertain a thought without accepting it." - Aristotle

Thomas Price
"Do unto others as you would have them do to you." - Luke 6:31

Richard Pridgen
"N'Achola Atta,
Telpelendam Mechen Weuhokeyit"

Patrick Proctor
"Politicians should read science fiction, not westerns and detective stories."
- Arthur C. Clarke

Amanda Purser
"We are born believing. A man bears beliefs, as a tree bears apples."
- Ralph Waldo Emerson

Veena Rajan
"Don't cry because it's over, but smile because it happened." - Ted Geisel

Niket Ram
"The difference between what we do and what we are capable of doing would suffice to solve most of the world's problems." - Gandhi

Jake Reardon
"For time is the longest distance between two places."
- Tennessee Williams

Ivey Redding
"That's what she said."

Benji Reinhardt
"Two things are infinite, the universe and human stupidity; I'm not sure about the former." - Einstein

David Rhoden
"Wherefore no man can grow wise without his share of winters."
- *The Wanderer*

Melina Rodriguez
"If you can't be a good example, then you'll just have to be a horrible warning." - Gwen Goodnight

Kamrul Rokon
"Gods envy us because we're mortal; any moment might be our last; things are more beautiful because we're doomed." - Achilles (*Troy*)

Meredith Rountree
"Forget regret, or life is yours to miss."
- *Rent*

Most Spirited

Elizabeth Anderson & Marc Tortorice

Best Sense of Humor

Quinn Morris & Alex Solomon

Sara Rowell
"Following the light of the sun, we left the Old World."
- Christopher Columbus

Amanda Sadler
"Remember the people who were with you for the ride, not just those waiting for you at the end of it."

Carl Schissler
"I think there's something strangely musical about noise." - Trent Reznor

Aaron Schmidt
"Anything worth doing is worth overdoing." - Steven Tyler

Michael Schoenfeld
"Life is short so love the one you got cause you might get run over or you might get shot." - Sublime

Scott Schwartz
"I have seen life's purpose, now it is my own." - Anonymous

Matt Scott
"Only the insane can prosper. Only those who prosper can truly judge what is sane." - Anonymous

Alison Seffels
"The important thing is to live with your beliefs and the one you care for - or to die with or for them."
- Yui Miyamoto

Sara Seffels
"I may not have gone where I intended to go but I think I ended up where I intended to be." - Douglas Adams

Dylan Selinger
"Lean Wit It, Rock Wit It."

Rachel Shauger
"Everything has been figured out, except how to live." - Jean-Paul Sartre

Dave Shaw
"Life, so vivid and mysterious, was enough to occupy his entire being."
- Albert Camus

Priya Sheth
"Even if you are on the right track, you will get run over if you just sit there."
- Will Rogers

Will Shipman
"If you stand for nothing, then you'll fall for anything."

Omar Simpson

Susannah Small
"Don't let it end like this. Tell them I said something."
- last words of Pancho Villa

Christine Smith
"The greatest thing you'll ever learn, is just to love and be loved in return."
- Nat King Cole

William Smolski
"Reality is that which, when you stop believing in it, doesn't go away."
- Philip K. Dick

Peter Smutko
"Let us step out into the night and pursue that flighty temptress, adventure"
- J. K. Rowling

Patrick Snipes
"I must not fear. Fear is the mind-killer." - Frank Herbert

Most Artistic

Carlos Fuentes & Grace Joo

Alex Solomon
"Turn your face to the sun, and the shadow will fall behind you..."
- Maori proverb

Hongsuk Song
"An eye for an eye makes the whole world blind." - Gandhi

Ryan Stairs
"Once the dam is broken, there's no stopping the downpour."

Francine Stefan
"Who is John Galt?"
- Ayn Rand (*Atlas Shrugged*)

Best Personality

Jake Reardon & Sunny Lin

Lyndsey Steffensen
"Sink through the surge and bring pearls up to me. Deeper aye deeper, the fairest lie low." - Charlotte Bronte

Sophia Sullivan
"Life isn't about the breaths you take, it's about the moments that take your breath away."

Erin Summerlin
"Accept what people offer. Drink their milkshakes. Take their love."
- Wally Lamb

Dan Swaim
"Sometimes Friday night doesn't start until Saturday morning."

Leigh Ann Taylor
"If I can stop one heart from breaking, I shall not live in vain."
- Emily Dickinson

Laura Temple
"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."
- Eleanor Roosevelt

Jonathan Thomas
"Focus on the journey, not the destination. Joy is found not in finishing an activity but in doing it."
- Greg Anderson

Samantha Thomas
"I, Samantha Leslie Thomas, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave."

Timothy Thomas
"... And I am left, standing alive and well, looking up and wondering why and wherefore." - Procul Harum

Michael Tipton
"When did I realize I was God? Well, I was praying and I realized I was talking to myself." - Anonymous

Allegra Torres
"Life...is like a grapefruit...orange and squishy [with] a few pips, and some folks have half a one for breakfast."
- Douglas Adams

Marc Tortorice
"Oh, I think they like me."

Toan Tran-Phu
"To love is to receive a glimpse of heaven"
- K. Sunde/Mr Owl ate my metal worm/I like chicken/Aaami

Steven Truman
"Show me a smooth operation and I'll show you someone who's covering mistakes." - Frank Herbert

Holly Turner
"Be strong little marshmallow :) "
- Unknown

Katie Tygielski
"Take chances! Make mistakes! Get messy!" - Miss Frizzle

Derrell Vann
"I betchu can't do it like me ..."

Amy Varner
"Only those who risk going too far can possibly find out how far one can go."
- T.S. Eliot

Flora Vo
"Yoshi!!!"

Ashley Vroom
"You only live once, but if you do it right, once is enough." - Mae West

Amelia Wallace

Katie Wallace
"For my part I know nothing with any certainty, but the sight of the stars makes me dream." - Van Gogh

Kelly Walsh
"Be happy!"

Scott Warren

Amy Wen
"Genius is one per cent inspiration, ninety-nine per cent perspiration."
- Thomas Edison

Adam Whisnant
"Judge me all you want, but keep the verdict to yourself." - Anonymous

Liz White
"There has got to be more to life than being really, really ridiculously good-looking." - Zoolander

Chip Williams
"To surrender to ignorance and call it God has always been premature, and it remains premature today."
- Isaac Asimov

Jacey Wilson
"Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind." - Dr. Seuss

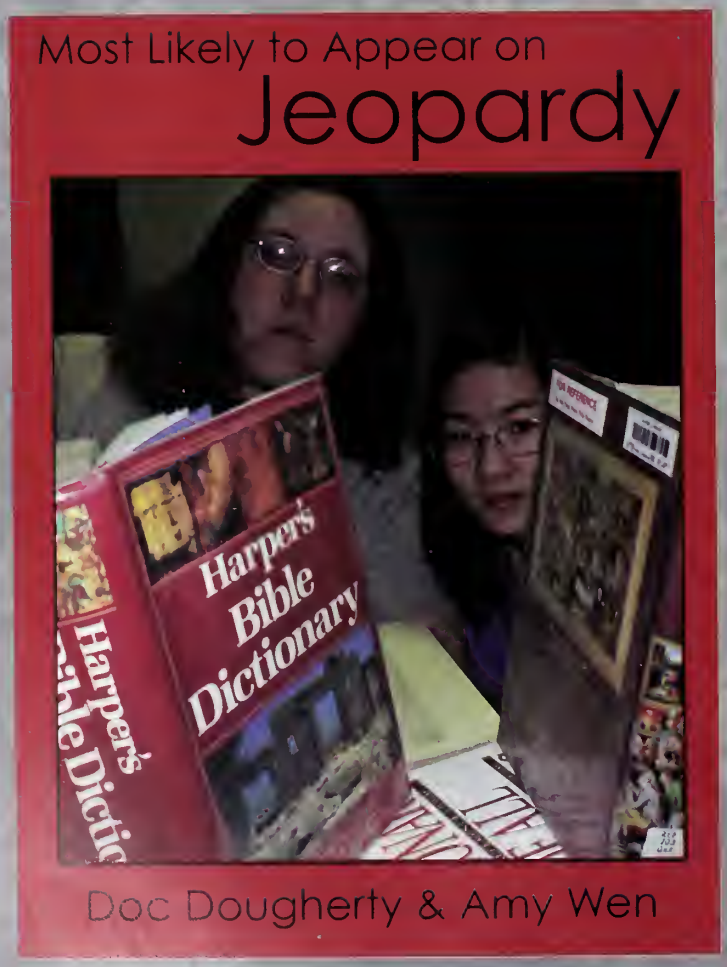
Wendell Wilson
"b0rn 2 chas3 p1astic"

James Winder
"All of the animals except for man know that the principal business of life is to enjoy it." - Samuel Butler

Sara Wise
"I do not ask any more delight, I swim in it as in a sea." - Walt Whitman

Kyle Wolpert
"Somebody may beat me, but they are going to have to bleed to do it."
- Steve Prefontaine

Emily Wong
"Be patient and strong; this pain will be useful to you one day."
- Ovid



Sophia Woo
"If this farewell is the beginning of a journey, I'll never forget even if I open countless doors."

Lauren Wood
"When I forget how to talk, I sing."
- Wilco

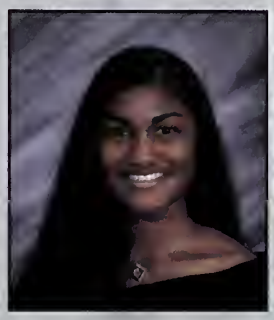
Mandy Woodruff
"Smile, it enhances your face value."
- *Steel Magnolias*

Michael Woods
"If there's one thing I've learned over the years, its never to underestimate a Klingon." - Jean-Luc Picard

Hannah Wroblewski
"Such a long long time to be gone and a short time to be there."
- Robert Hunter

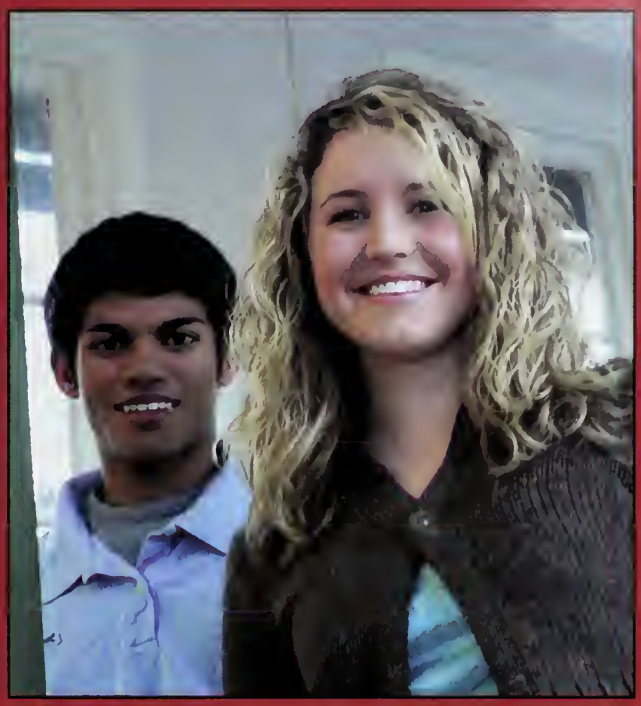
David Ye
"Wherever you go, go with all your heart." - Confucius

Will Yelton
"Listen to advice and accept instruction, and in the end you will be wise."
- Proverbs 19:20



Sneha Yerra
"Learn as if you were to live forever. Live as if you were to die tomorrow."
- Gandhi

Best Smile



Mohammed Khan & Erin Summerlin

Margaret Yim
"We all have our time machines: dreams carry us forward, and memories take us back." - Unknown

Calvin Young
"Do you know what K-mart is?"
- Christopher C.

Roger Yu
"For all ignorant people... they can only serve as meaningless exhibits and watchers." - Lu Xun

Simon Yun
"I don't know the key to success, but the key to failure is trying to please everybody." - Bill Cosby

Jiemin Zeng
"And now, Harry, let us step out into the night and pursue that flighty temptress, adventure." - J.K. Rowling

Han Zhang
"When the power of love overcomes the love of power the world will know peace." - Jimi Hendrix

Lucy Zhang
"Behind the brightest light do you find the darkest shadow." - Unknown

Yang Zhou
"A ship in harbor is safe, but that is not what ships are built for."
- John A. Shedd

Not pictured: *Rebecca Plumlee*

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WRESTLING

Matt Abraham
Parv Aggarwal
Samie Ahmed
Arti Ajmani
James Alderman
Lindsay Alexander

Wyatt Allen
Andrew Amolegbe
Kelly Anderson
Courtney Angers
Nicole Anthony
Julian Arrington III

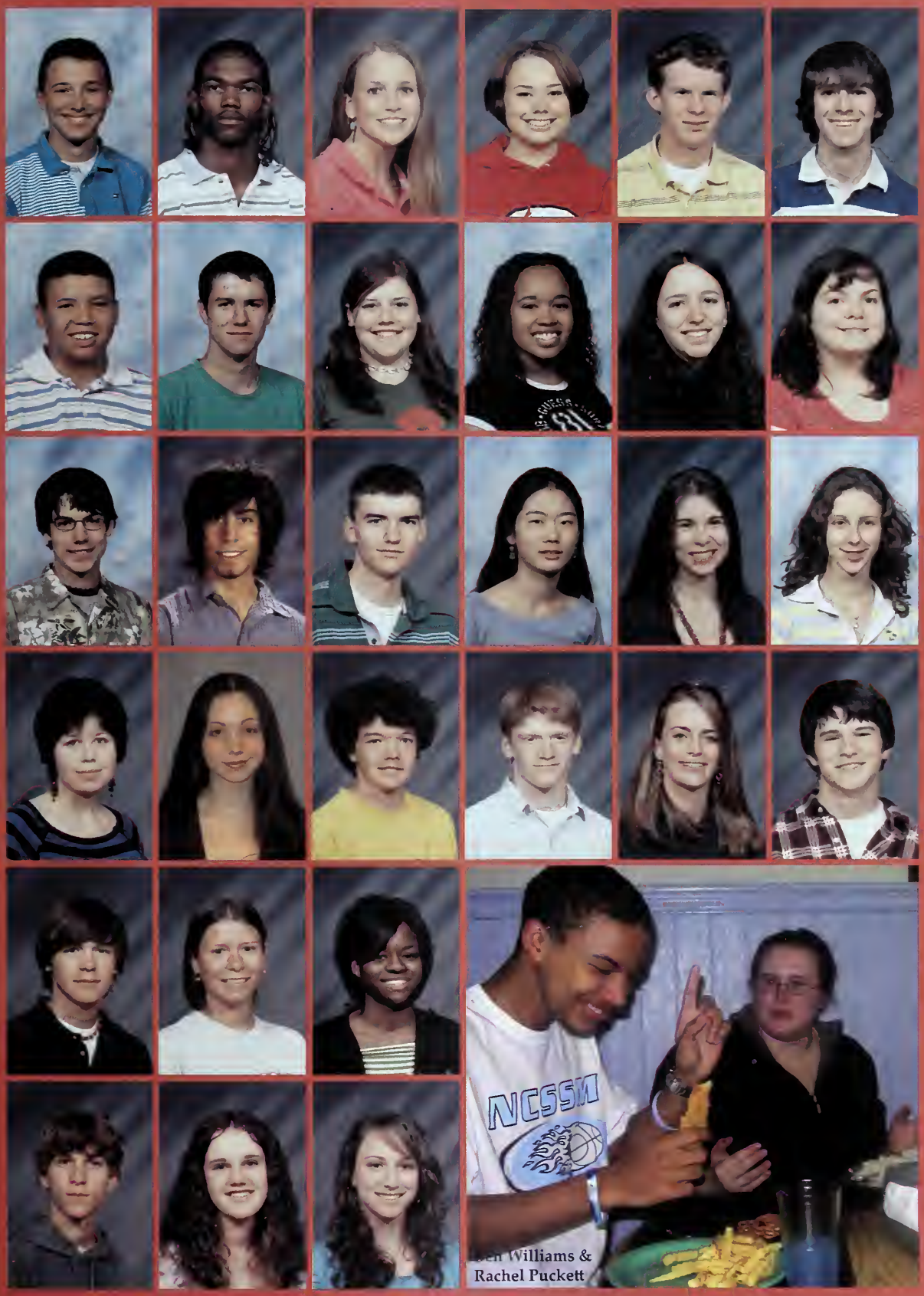
Adam Askren
Rebekah Ayscue
Saumya Ayyagari
Daniel Bacigalupo
Keon Bae
Maggie Baker

Whitney Baker
Will Baker
Jessica Barnes
Max Beckman-Harned
Aaron Belk
Tavia Benjamin

Amanda Berry
Samera Beshir
Suneet Bhansali
Xavier Blount
Lyndsay Booth
Salena Boston

Justin Boucher
Allen Brewington
Jamil Brinegar
Dorian Britt
Eldon Brockman
Christopher Brogdon

If an RLA yells "check!" in a forest and no one is there to hear



Rachel Puckett

Josh Brown
Emanuel Bryant
Amy Bryson
Casey Buchanan
Kyle Bucher
Justin Buie

Micky Bullard
Christopher Burch
Megan Cain
Kiira Campbell
Rebecca Campbell
Courtney Canipe

Tim Canty
Austin Capobianco
Mike Carpenter
Hattie Chung
Daryl Clausen
Jennifer Cook

Emily Cooper
Katie Cooper
Paul Corbett
Drew Courtright
Kenan Crawford
Nathan Creger

Bryan Creviston
Kellie Crook
Brittany Croom

Philip Curley
Shelby Currier
Elizabeth Cutrone

it, do you get a Level I? * If you decide not to take AP Calc

Giffin Daughtridge
Adam Davis
Valyce Davis
Joe Davy
Katie Dektar
Katherine Demby

Shivani Desai
Radhika Deshmukh
Jaren Dickerson
Cameron Dowless
Matthew Drews
Taylor Duganne

Clay Dunwell
Elizabeth DuVall
Matthew DuVall
Meghan Dwyer
Bill Edwards
Lenny Evans

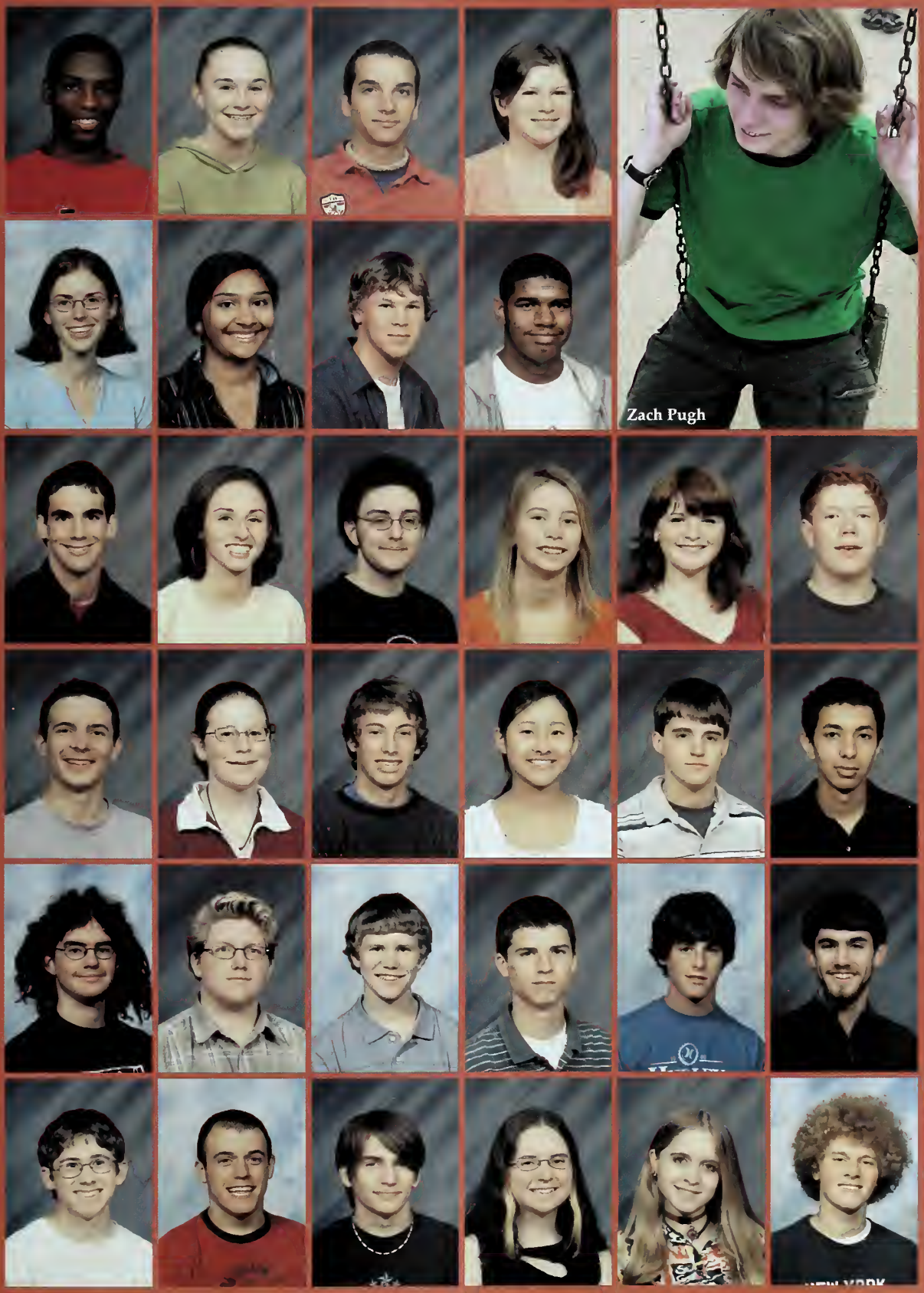
Bianca Faison
Melissa Fender
Robby Finley

Alex Fish
Brian Foley
Charles Fort

Brittany Fotsch
Nathan Fowler
Jonathan Frederick

Daniel Goodson

because of the teacher, would that be a Rash decision? *



Michael French
Caitlin Frese
Matthew Furmanek
Abby Furr

Rebecca Gade
Ishita Gandhi
Eric Gerard
Charles Gilbert

Matthew Gildner
Stephanie Glass
Adam Gomaa
Laura Gomez-Nichols
Elizabeth Goodman
Daniel Goodson

Yevgeniy Grechka
Jodie Greene
Keith Grose
Rose Guo
Erik Gutekunst
Aynul Habib

Zac Hackney
Nick Hamden
Tyler Harkey
James Harrell
Charles Hart
Daniel Hart

Kurt Hasian
Jacob Haskins
Jason Hawkins
Kathleen Hébert
Jennifer Henkel
Andy Hewitt

The #1 suggestion from juniors about changing the trimester

Megan Heysham
Tyrik Hicks
Adam Hill
Alexander Hill
Alex Hill
James Ho

Rebecca Holmes
Hampton Horrocks
Cameron Houser
James Howard
Kim Howell
Noura Howell

Wendy Hua
Cody Hughes
Brian Hulette
Lauren Iannotte
Kaitlin Icard
Melissa Ilardo

Sagar Indurkhya
Steven Ji
Liwei Jiang
Amanda Johnson
Katie Johnson
Megan Johnson

Salem Johnston
Anna Jones

Matesha Jones
Michael B. Jones

Nathan Creger

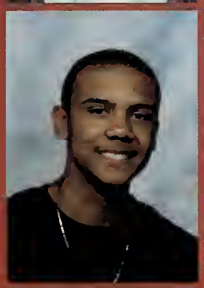
system is that next year's juniors should have American Studies

Ashley King & Katie Dektar

Michael D. Jones
Chrissy Jusino
Amanda Karam

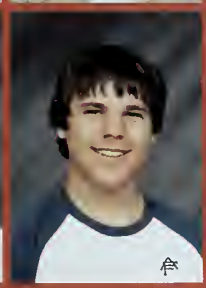
Krishna Karra
Morgan Kearse
Drew Keener

Caroline Kennedy
Mahen M. Khan
Ryan Kilby
Grace Kim
HongSun Kim
Corey Kim



Wayne Kimball, Jr.
Ashley King
Santana King
Angela Knowles
Steve Ko
Mary Kohlmann

Lalitha Kunduru
Mary La
Stephanie Laboy
Nirav Lakhani
Aubrey Land
Allie Landry



Noah Levine
Caleb Lee
Jeffrey Lee
John Lee
Kate Lee
Rebecca Lee

for 3 trimesters. * Max Rose lives 0.4 miles away from NCSSM;

Young Lee
Colin Lenhart
Dalton Lennon

Jessica Leslie
Bob Liles
Steven Lin

Paul Little
Ann Liu
Michelle Liu

Magen Tomasino & Jason Hawkins

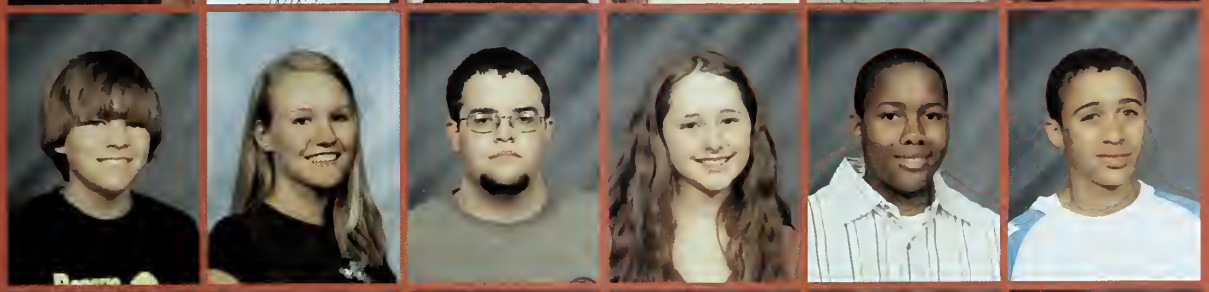
Pam Liu
Abby Long
Stephen Long
Joseph Lozier
Lindsay Luff
Erik MacIntosh

Nicole Mack
Andy Marks
Hannah Martin
Jake Martin
Linsey Martin
Victoria Massie

Austin Matthews
Keith Mattison
Brittney McCallum
Jaime McCandless
Tiffany McCrary
Alison McGraw

Ian Whitfield lives 336.3 miles away; assuming an average

Alison Mead
Alexey Melnichenko
Michael Mian
Amanda Michelson
Jonathan Mitchell
Tanvisha Mody

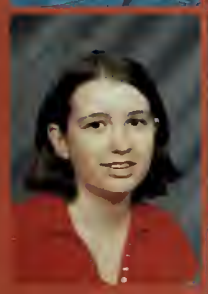


Cameron Moeller
Lizz Moody
Robert Morgan
Virginia Mulky
Clay Nance
Leonard Nelson

Christine Nguyen
Brittany Nicolaysen
Cayla Noble
Brian Nobles
Caroline Nobles
Gechi Nzewi

Sabrina Officer
John Outten
Scott Ouzts
Mark Owolabi
Nicole Parker
Laura Parks

Chirag Patel
Jaimin Patel



Jennifer Peeler
Lisa Pepin

Melissa Ilardo &
Sabrina Officer with
Lucy & Zoe Ashe-Jones

speed of 64 MPH, why are you answering this question? *

Justin Perry
Thomas Perry
Amanda Peters
Michael Pham

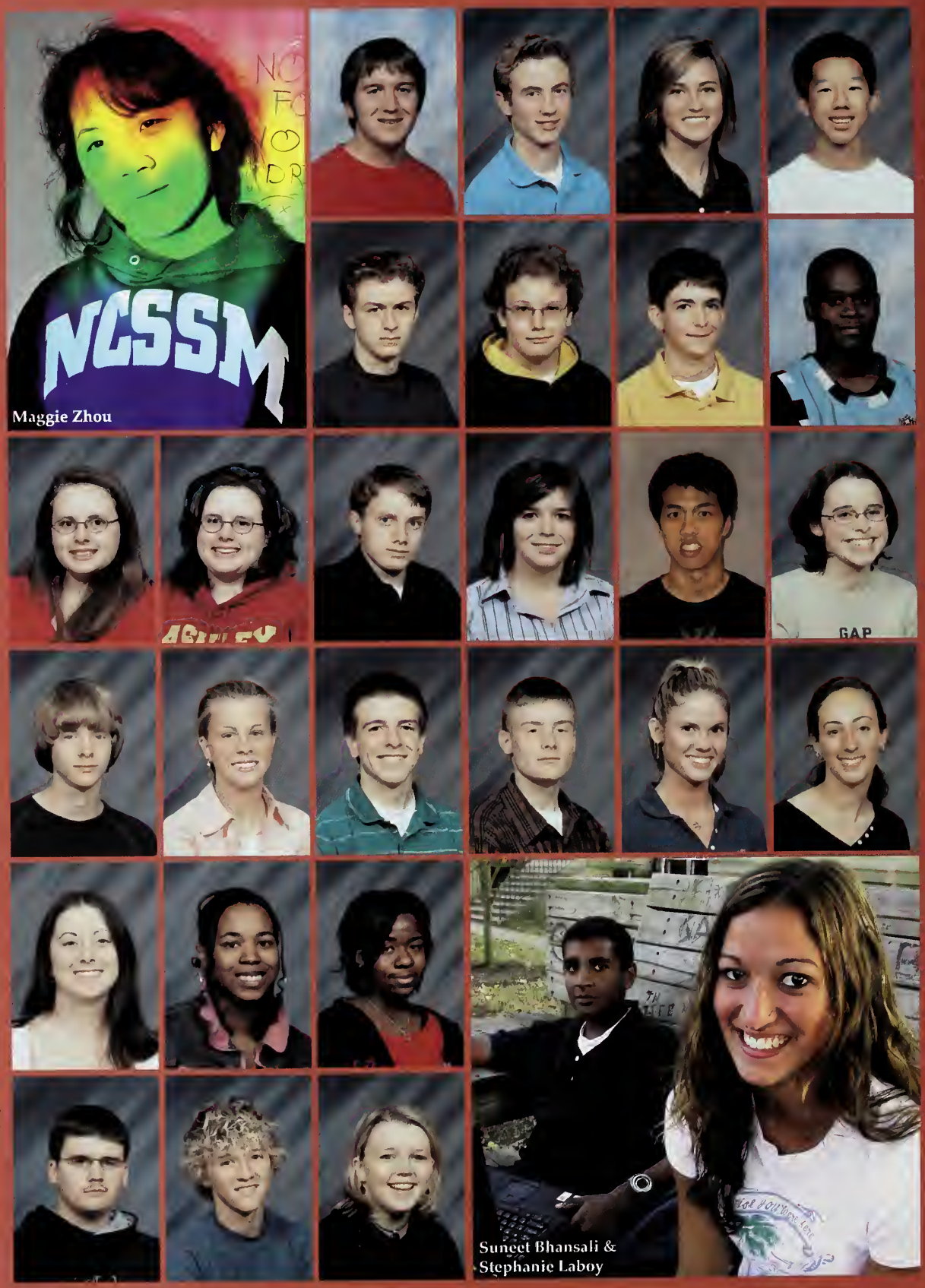
Raymond Piatt
John-Michael Popovici
John Powell
Zachary Powell

Jenna Puckett
Rachel Puckett
Zach Pugh
Casey Putnam
Steven Quach
Anna Rains

Ross Ramsey
Catherine Raymer
Quint Reid
Daniel Reiner
Amanda Reno
Rachel Revelle

Laura Reynolds
Jasmine Richardson
Kaylah Roberson

Briant Robey
Tate Rogers
Jenna Roney



Maggie Zhou

Sunee Bhansali & Stephanie Laboy

Next year the student store will be open from midnight

Max Rose
Brittany Ross
Tyler Ross

Alan Roth
Gregory Rubinstein
Ethan Russ

Angela Sarnie
Steven Schlaefer
Sarah Schoenfeldt

Katherine Schulz
Stephanie Schumaker
Lessie Scott

Mario Scott
Jessica Scroggins
Ben Sealy
Katherine Seufer
Tyler Seward
Colton Sexton

Noah Seymore
Riti Shah
Aniqa Shahrier
Trevor Shannon
Craig Shaver
Jimmy Shedlick

until 2 a.m., when everyone is awake and hungry. * The most

Asad Siddiqui
Madison Simon
Keith A. Simpson
Natalie Singleton
James Slade
Tyler Smith

Chelsea Sokolow
Torri Staton
Elly Steel
Adam Stegall
Jeremy Steinman
Caitlin Stone

Mandy Sullivan
JP Sypniewski
Nicholas Tang
Jessica (JT) Taylor
Morgan Taylor
Andrew Telesca

Nelson Terry
Diana Tingen
Magen Tomasino
Ashley Trudeau
Jacob Ulirsch
Brenton Vasconcellos

Rebekah Vestal
Megan Vick
Kiara Vincent
Jessica Voytik
Jenna Wadsworth
Beck Waldbauer

Aaron Wallace
Daphne Wang
Nancy Warren
Nathaniel Wasson
Joshua Watkins
Linda Wei

frequently requested location for a new wireless access point

Noah Weissman
Thomas White
Ian Whitlock
Ben Williams
Jamie Winslow
Blair Wright

Robert Yarborough
Samuel Young
Luis Zapata
Jason Zhang
Maggie Zhou
Ben Ziccardi

Caitlin Stone & Brittney McCallum

Ethan Russ

Meghan Dwyer & Allen Brewington

on campus is "My room." * The anagram for dormitory is "dirty room."

Biology

They teach budding scientists: Leslie Brinson, Anita McCoy, Christine Muth, Korah Wiley, Sandi Payne, Amy Sheck (Not pictured: Jon Davis, Marilyn Link, Noreen Naiman)

Chemistry

Safety is *elemental*: Chuck Roser, Sarah Allen, Noreen Naiman, Myra Halpin, Guido Gabbrielli, Emily Maxwell, Marion Brisk (Not pictured: Debra Bowick)

Physics

Off task, just like their students: Chuck Britton, Willyetta Brown-Mitchell, Jonathan Bennett, Gabriela Stefan, Loren Winters, Jacqueline Bondell, John Kolena

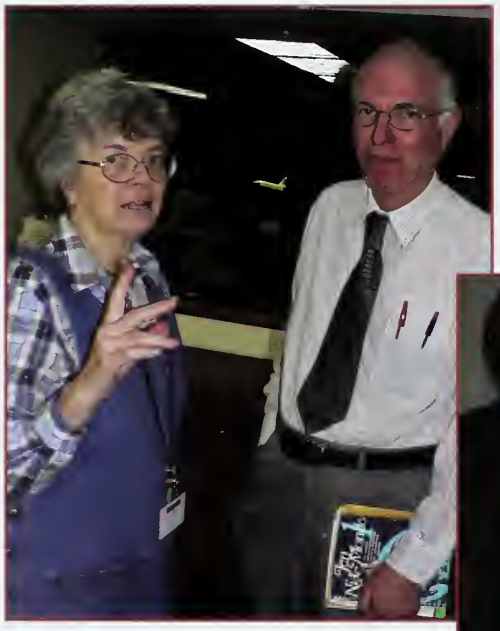
Mathematics

Calculating but not cold: Tamar Castelloe, Dedra Eatmon, Dan Teague, Cheryl Gann, Maria Hernandez, Peggy Craft, Julie Graves, Philip Rash, Donita Robinson, Vicky Tripp, Dot Doyle, Gloria Barrett (Not pictured: Helen Compton, John Goebel)

Humanities

They have the write stuff: Katy Fenn, Jane Shlensky, Jennifer Moore, Lisa Nanney, Karen Glumm, Elizabeth Moose, Nicole Sarrocco, Jon Miller, Sarah Russell, Kyle Hudson, Ginger Wilson, John Woodmansee, Jim Litle, Jamie Lathan, Katie Moulder (Not pictured: Shelia Butts, Martha Regalis)

Foreign Language



Speaking in tongues: Mary LeMay, Don Houpe (above), Alina Hunt, Rosemary Munroe, Cecile Tougas, Mary Roberts (center), David Frauenfelder (far right) (Not pictured: Yvonne Camacho, Natsuko Suwa)

Art

Artists for art's sake: Juan Scivally, Bryant Holsenbeck, Joe Liles

Music

A chorus line: Ray Church, Dave Stuntz, Scott Laird

President's Office

Leading the way: Pam Oxendine, Richard Alston, Natasha Nazareth-Phelps, Michael Reidy, Glenda Timm, Belinda Cagle, President Jerry Boarman (Not pictured: Tom Rodman)

Academic Programs

It's all academic: Steve Warshaw, Kathy Mueller, Lois Murphy, Tom Clayton

Registrar's Office

Getting the courses you want is sweet: Kathleen Allen, Wanda Munn

Lit@Com

Hitting the books: Anthony Myles, Melissa Beck, Diane Futrelle, Michael Millner, Barbara Newnam (Not pictured: Willie Painter)

Human Resources

Benefiting the campus: Cynthia White, Connie Boyce, Linwood Stewart

Development

Their work is capital: Therese Taxis, Ken Steen, Brian Faircloth, Lauren Everhart, Katie Wagstaff, Leslie Arrington, Rose Shepherd, Craig Rowe, Cindy Crabtree

Business Office

Money managers:
Marva Hicks, Denise Burgette, Wiley Post, Frank Toliver, Heidi Walker, Ilean Sutton, Effie Padula, Linda Pickett
(Not pictured: Viola Fairley-Smith)

Same as they ever were: Martha Arrington, Ed McBride, Terry Brown, Germaine Brewington

Operations

Plant Facilities

Caring for the campus: *Front row*: Garry Covington, James Lawson, Christopher Pettiford, Anita Lovette, Buddy Tripp, Danny Watson, Luke Mason, Mike Mitchell, Todd Bollinger *Back row*: Larry Taylor, Robert Richardson, Wyatt Richardson, Claude Bowen, Reginald Leslie, Clifton Gregg, Jay Brown, Barbara Johnson, Chris Taylor (Not pictured: Joe Elliott, Vann Jones, Harry Markham, Walter McNair, Rachel Parks, Al Thompson)

Computer Science

Reprogramming young minds: John Morrison, Dennis Yeh
(Not pictured: Susanna Schwab)

ITS

Keeping everything PC: Richard Alston, Nelson Butts, Jamil Spain, Bill Link

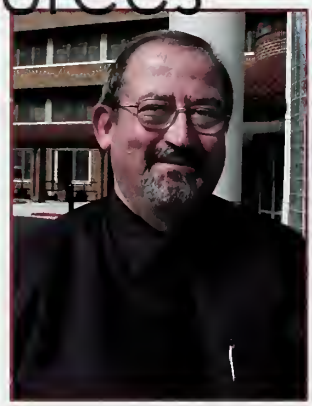
Distance Learning

From our school to yours: *First row*: Scott Laird, Tamar Castelloe, Sally Adkin, Anna DeConti, Carole Stern, Joyce Ventimiglia, Crystal Davis, Victor Pace *Second row*: Fred Hurteau, Dan Overby, Nancy Haworth, Cristine Clarke, Willyetta Brown-Mitchell, Kathy Jackson *Third row*: Jamie Lathan, Evan Rowe, Peggy Kirk, Helen Compton, David Frauenfelder, Darlene Haught *Fourth row*: Tracy Telenko, Robert Koegler, Jamil Spain, Karl Coleman, Jeff Hatley, Joe Liles, Jim Litle, Jon Davis (Not pictured: Liz Coleman)

Athletics

Good sports: Brian Gonyeau, Eileen Witt, Thomas Michell

Campus Resources



A force to be reckoned with (clockwise, from far left): Lester Alston, Bobby Jackson, Rick Hess, John Williams, Will Cook, Clayton Moore, Ron Morris, Harry Tucker, Linwood Suitt, John Smith

Admissions

Road warriors: Rob Andrews, Letita Mason, Sandra Jackson, Mattie Gaddy

Clinic

Here's to your health: Sharon Evans, Devainder Goli, Sherry Mowrey

Counseling

Sharing and caring: Pam Oxendine, Lori Hackney, Joyce Rodman, Gina Burger, Lamia Younes, Ollie Burrell (Not pictured: Gail Hudson)

Dining Services

They can stand the heat: ***Front row***: Gregory Chance, Tiffany Peace, Janette Holman, Charlie Mangum
Back row: Glenn Knight, Oscar Shealey, Steve Porterfield, Johnny Stokes, Jackie Wilson, Terry Gray, Louie Ellison, Cathy Floyd,Victor Jackson (Not pictured: Gregory Evans, Jawana Ross, Tony Holloway, James Liles, Tonja Martin)

Student Life

Healthy choices, healthy students: Joan Barber, John Kirk, Lorna Lester, Kevin Cromwell, Gail Hudson, Michael Newbauer, Eileen Witt

Student Life Instructors

They put the *loco* in *in loco parentis*: ***Front row***: Rasheed Wiggins, Steve Jones, Mike Fliss ***Middle row***: Nick Lehman, Marion Meadows, Lauren Carr, Jennifer Ashe, Sue Anne Lewis, Zoey LeTendre, Gail Morgan ***Back row***: Murtaza Haidermota, Justin Tye, Aryano Bush, Zack Armfield (Not pictured: Marlene Blakney, Keisha King, Sonya Mathias, Matt McKerr, Mike Newbauer, Tammy Parks, Allison van den Berg)

Spotlight on: Joe Liles

He's no ordinary Joe. One of the founding faculty members, Joe was honored by the class of '85 with the restoration of the Watts cupola in his honor. But he's always been more that just an art teacher; whether it's the powwow, the senior class photo or the legendary slide show, Joe is an *elemental* part of the NCSSM experience. This year is even more special, as Joe's "baby" Elizabeth graduates as a member of the class of 2006.
WAY TO GO JOE!

(Co)gnition

Academics

1. Designing their own fuel cell cars, teams from research classes were inspired by this batter-powered car from Students Fueling the Future.

2. Taking control over her A.P. Calculus test, Christine Smith derived and integrated.

3. Determining the perfect amount of solution, Breta Kotkin toiled away during a biology lab.

4. Removing connective tissue from their cat, Aisha Amuda and Sabrina Officer took a hands-on approah to learning anatomy.

"Right now I'm in Organic Chemistry and all I can say is WOW! It's amazing to look back over my high school years and see how far I've come in these past two years at Science and Math. The classes are a whole lot harder than my old high school, but this challenge has been worth it," said Sara Rowell. Academics were beyond rigorous; students had to "accept the greater challenge" and push themselves farther than they thought they could. There were countless tales of long nights. "The hardest class for me has been AP Chemistry. The Sunday before the formal lab report was due, I did chemistry from 2pm-10:30pm and still hadn't actually started writing the report," said Hannah Martin. In addition to the strenuous work load, students were presented with many changes on the administrative front of academics. A "paper-less campus" was initiated, which prohibited teachers from giving students copious worksheets and hand-outs. All paperwork was supposed to be filed electronically via Blackboard, WebAssign, or the school web site. There was also an all-girl computer science class that was added, sparking a debate across campus. However, learning was not a one-way street. Students had teachers to lean on and seek help from. Tutorials were held Monday through Thursday, every teacher had office hours, and many teachers could be found working in their offices long after school had let out. Together, students and teachers harnessed the power of cognition. "We explored new horizons every day," said Will Shipman, "one equation at a time."

Biology

The Biology department on 3rd Bryan has seen great change during the 2005-2006 school year, including a tearful goodbye to a beloved teacher and enthusiastic welcomes to new staff members. Students campus wide came out for Ms. Julie Brown's farewell party. Ms. Brown left after the first trimester to accept a job in Charlotte, and her Anatomy and Physiology students were introduced to a new teacher, Ms. Korah Wiley. Another addition to the biology floor was lab technician Mrs. Sandi Payne, who traversed both the Biology and Chemistry floors ready to guide a wandering work service student or help with a difficult lab setup. Through all of these changes, students remained dedicated to dissecting their cats, transferring those pesky fruit flies, and modeling transcription and translation. But even those new to the system have picked up on the most important thing of all: in the words of Mrs. Payne, "This is a cool gig!"

"This is a cool gig!"
-Mrs. Payne

2. Trying to learn about all the adaptations and characteristics of plants, Laura Temple and Steven Burgess worked diligently in lab under the guidance of Ms. Leslie Brinson. "AP Biology at NCSSM is incredibly fast-paced," Steven said.

3. Studying conch shells in the biology lab, Liz Goodman kept her spirits high with her good sense of humor. When asked what she was doing, Liz said, "Conch-a figure this out? It's Evolution with Advanced Topics with Dr. Sheck!"

1. Working with NC State researcher Dr. Christina Grozinger, Alex Cole-Weiss and Margaret Yim got a close-up look at honeybees. They investigated the effects of the pheromone released by the queen bee on the worker bees. "Ah, the things you learn in biology … who knew bees were so fascinating?" Alex said. "RBio is definitely the best biology class at NCSSM, and the most fun."

4. In AP Biology, the plant unit required lots of outside studying and an all-important lab, as Raven Jones and Lilly Cooke could attest to. "I don't really like plants," said Lilly. "But this lab was pretty cool."

5. Purifying a sample of water, Sarah Hoyt and Arti Ajmani weren't afraid to get dirty for Aquatic Ecology. They were collecting samples from Ellerbe Creek. "I love biology – especially classes like Ecology and Aquatic Ecology – because it teaches you about the world around you," Sarah said.

6. Dissecting a sheep heart was a critical part of Anatomy and Physiology that helped Victor Lieu and Perry Isner learn. "I never really dissected anything at my old school before," Perry said. "I had some interesting experiences that I think were helpful in learning the material."

Chemistry

Chemistry: it was the Sadie Hawkins Dance theme, the subject of a super-fast element-naming song featured at KoffeeHaus, and the theme of this year's Odyssey. It was the image that came to mind when one thought of a scientist – test tubes and foaming beakers surrounding a meticulous scientist adorned in a spotless white lab coat – that would explain the high number of student-owned lab coats.

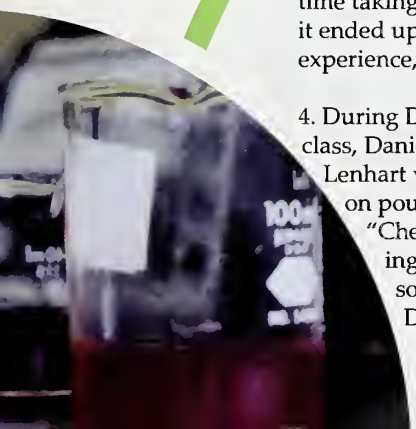
There was a great amount of variety within the chemistry department. The introductory chemistry class was offered in four different ways: General, Topics, Advanced Placement, and Web. In addition, there were classes like Organic Chemistry, Polymer Chemistry, Environmental Chemistry, and Research in Chemistry. As Dr. Halpin asked, "What's in your beaker?" No matter what they were interested in, there was something for everyone in Chemistry.

"What's in your beaker?" - Dr. Halpin

2. Collecting data from a spectrophotometer, Morgan Kearse and Liwei Jiang, worked on a lab for AP Chemistry. "We were determining the solubility product constant (Ksp) of silver chromate (AG_2CrO_4) – chemistry at NCSSM is THOROUGH," Liwei said.

3. Engrossed in reading a graduated cylinder, Erik Gutekunst and Michael French worked to complete another chemistry lab. "Compared to labs at my home school, these are much more advanced and complicated," said Erik.

1. Slowly stirring an unidentified substance, Gechi Nzewi and Brittany Nicolaysen had fun guessing the mystery substance's identity. "I really enjoyed chemistry a lot this year; at first I was kind of scared that I wouldn't understand it because it was my first time taking a chemistry course, but it ended up being a really good experience," said Gechi.



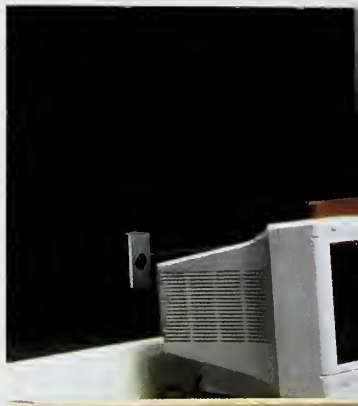
4. During Dr. Allen's ChemTops class, Daniel Goodson and Colin Lenhart were busy concentrating on pouring an acid during lab. "Chemistry is really interesting; it's funny to see how some things work," said Daniel.

5. Chemistry with Dr. Naiman always promised to be interesting, Jennifer Peeler and Nathan Creger demonstrated while diluting a solution. "Chemistry was incredible," Nathan said. "The lab work we did each week was amazing."

6. Aubrey Land and Aaron Wallace worked to heat a subject of unknown molarity. "Chemistry was my most interesting subject," Aubrey said. "I really enjoyed performing the various complex experiments."

Physics

When Ann Liu was asked for the first word that came to mind when thinking about physics at NCSSM, the answer was simple: "Kolena. Kolena. More Kolena." But what was it about Dr. John Kolena that drew him fear, fame, and adoration campus wide? Liu answered by stating the obvious: "He's an amazing teacher – but he is really intimidating, and sometimes scary…." The rest of the Physics department had its ways too, as attested by Ms. Jacqueline Bondell, a new physics teacher this year. "We're all a bunch of characters up here, each in our own special way. Everyone gets along well, and we're not afraid to bug each other so we work well together." No matter how they did it, there was no denying that the Physics department was a force to be reckoned with – now we just have to come up with a proper symbol for it on a force diagram.



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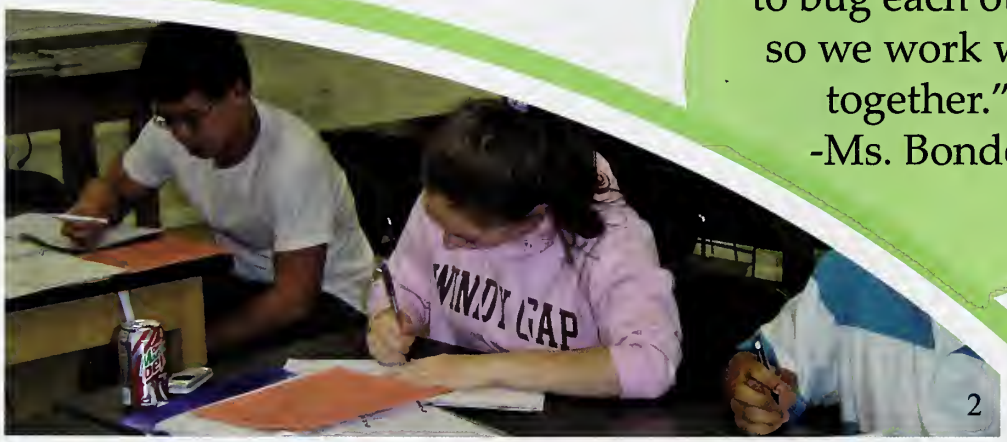
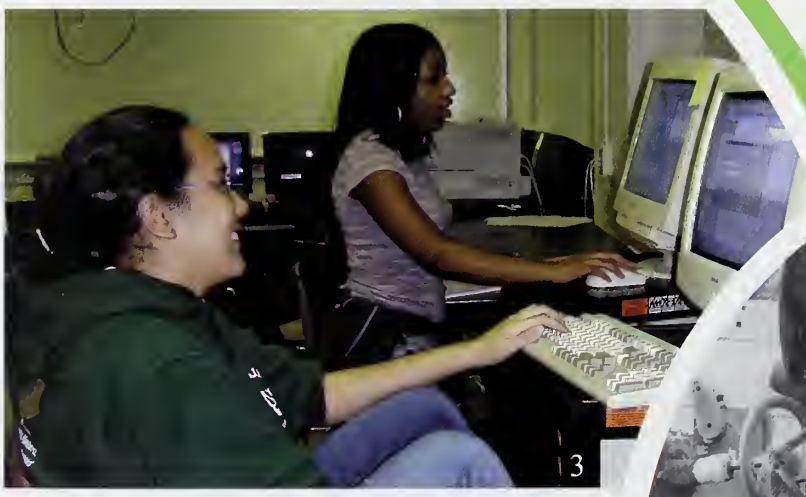
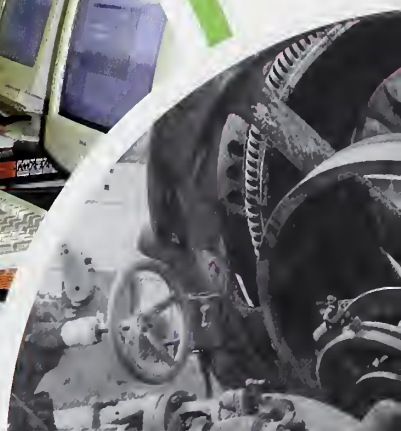
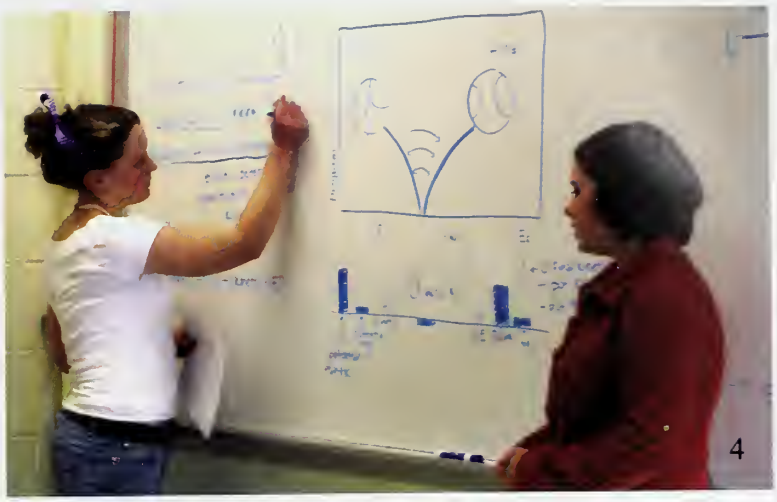


2. Focused on the lab at hand, Irwin Ki and Sarah Hoyt worked together as lab partners on the physics floor. In Physics, new partners had to be chosen for each lab. "I like Physics," Irwin said.



3. Making use of the computers in the Physics lab, Christine Nguyen and Kendra Manhertz analyzed meticulously collected data and drew conclusions about their lab. "Physics is cool because you can see it in action," Christine said.





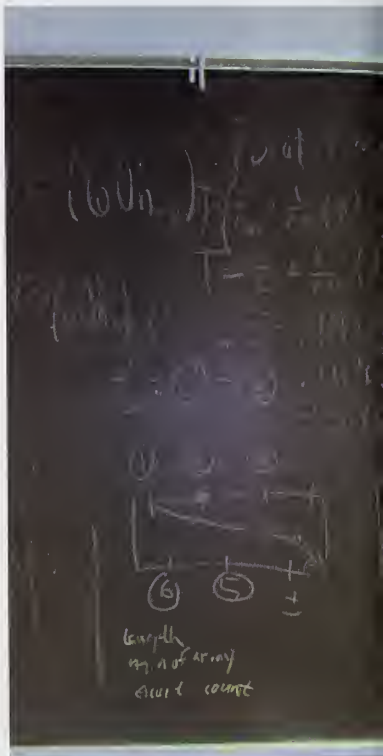
1. Fine tuning a slingshot before it was released, Trevor Shannon explained a unique class at NCSSM. "Only on the physics floor can you play with ridiculously large slingshots," Trevor said. "This was a High-Speed Imaging project – taking super-slow motion videos of a racquetball smashing into the wall."

4. Explaining a presentation problem on the board, Rebecca Ayscue and Casey Buchanan helped teach their class.

5. Masking the dread felt by all Physics students, Keon Bae and Paul Corbett smiled brightly. "92% error…" Keon said. "Hmm … what is wrong with this lab?"

6. Tightening a few loose screws, the Robotics team made some final adjustments to their creation. Zac Hackney, pictured at left with Jennifer Peeler, Wendell Wilson, and Steven Truman, said: "Robotics is a great way to get my mind off writing papers or doing math problems. It is so relaxing to cut through huge pieces of metal."

Mathematics

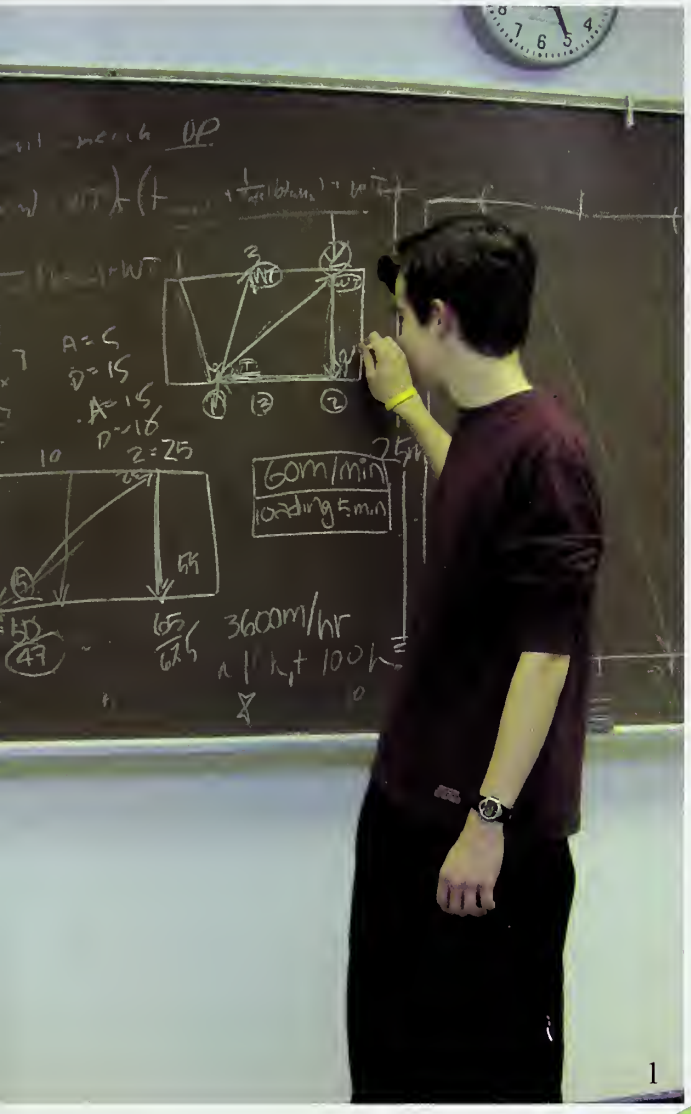


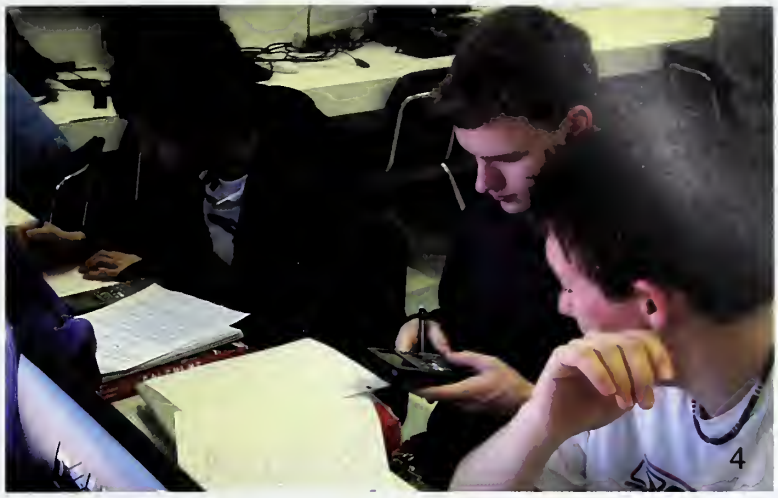
"I love the options in the math department; there is so much that you can do," said Daryl Clausen. The courses offered in mathematics ranged in caliber from Algebra III to Fractals and Chaos. While the course selection was phenomenal, the teachers were what made the math department so unique. They wrote nationally used pre-calculus books and regularly gave Texas Instrument advice, yet still had fun at the same time. "In Pre-Cal, when we're working on trig, I take them outside to the swings and let them swing," said pre-calculus teacher, Mr. Philip Rash. The teachers were involved outside the classroom as well. They dressed up during Spirit Week, and for the Holiday Dinner they entertained students by singing "Mathematics Wonderland." Mr. Rash and Ms. Dot Doyle judged the Halloween costume contest, Mr. Rash drove loops, and Ms. Peggy Craft took students contra dancing every Friday. Whether it was inside or outside of the classroom, the math department had a huge impact on the school's dynamics.

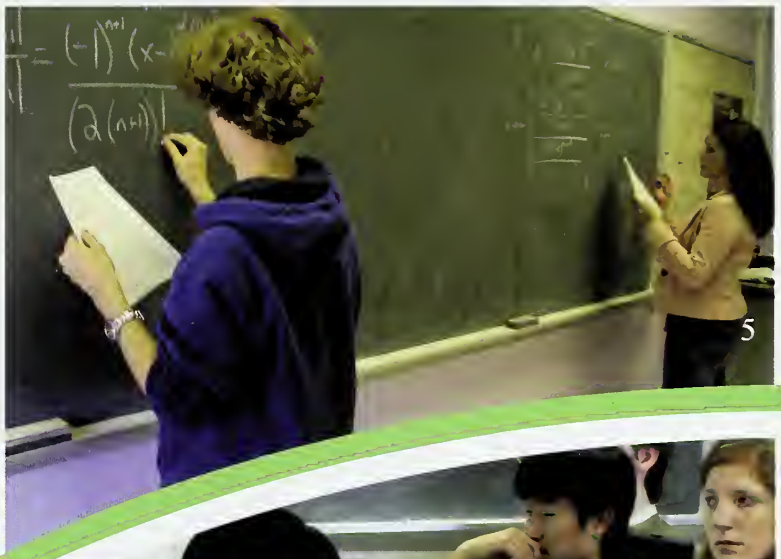
"I take them outside and let them swing."
-Mr. Rash

2. Focused on the projector screen, Complex Systems students watched as Dr. Teague demonstrated a concept. Student Toan Tran-Phu said, "I love the eye-opening that takes place in math classes."

3. At math tutorial , Shelby Currier, Aniqa Shahrier, and Megan Vick were freaking out as they frantically prepared for a Pre-Calculus test the next day.







1. Explaining a modeling problem on the board, Chris Cotter competed at the Mathematical Contest in Modeling. "MCM is a four day competition between mostly colleges to attempt to model realistic situations with mathematics," Chris said. "Forty hours of math in four days is quite an experience."

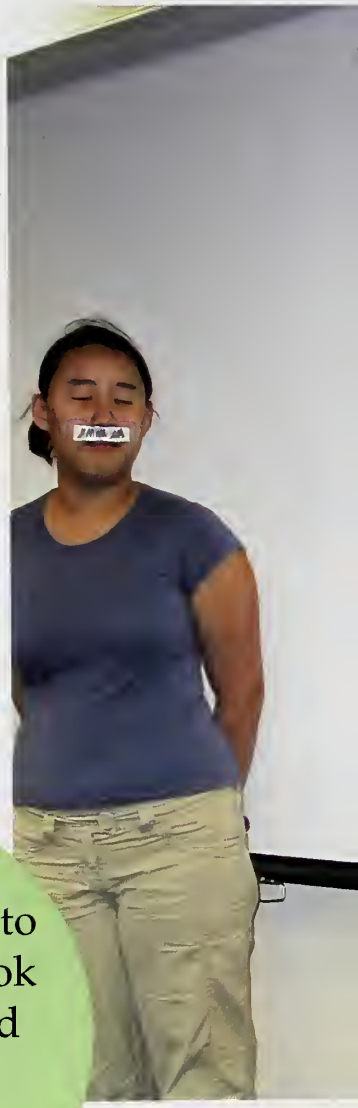
4. A hallmark of the class, Kevin Chen, Charles Hughes, and Matt Long worked on their calculus investigation. "I was interested by how we could be given quite a small amount of information and use it to find exactly what will happen," Matt said.

5. Putting homework up on the blackboard, Andy Marks and Mary Eannarino participated in Ms. Castelloe's Calculus class. "I'm not really a math person, but I actually enjoyed Calculus," Mary said.

6. Listening intently in Complex Systems, Corey Kim, Calvin Young, Young Lee, and Hannah Wroblewski learned from Dr. Teague. In fast-moving courses, students had to pay close attention to avoid getting behind. Calvin revealed the real reason why he was paying such close attention: "Dr. Teague is my hero."

Humanities

With the words "School of *Science* and *Mathematics*" as part of the school's official name, there were bound to be some misconceptions. "That must be a school full of dorks and nerds," or maybe "those people must study all the time and have no lives." But, perhaps the most common and most incorrect assumption was that the students did not like the humanities or did not know how to write. Not only did this school have a wonderful humanities department with both courses and teachers that other schools would be jealous of, but we also had students that were much more interested in the humanities. "The students are the best part," praised Mr. Lathan. "They're willing to challenge the book and the standard of history. They're culturally aware, sophisticated, and represent a diverse range of interests and backgrounds." Before they could graduate, students had to take at least two trimesters of American Studies, and then they had their choice of any other two core English classes.



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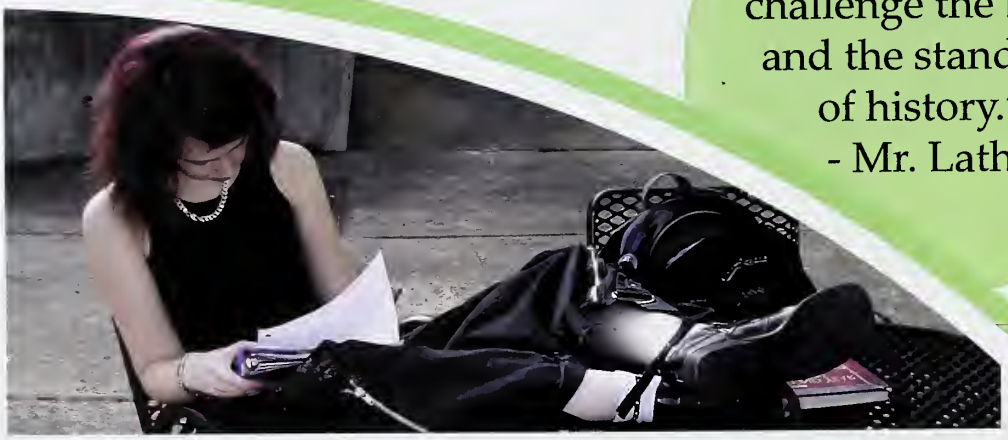

2. Working outside of Hill, Bryn McDonald studied for her Latin class. Bryn said, "Once you get to Advanced Latin, you start realizing why it seems that all of the Latin teachers are crazy."

3. Taking advantage of the language lab, Jamil Brinegar listened along to the lesson during Dr. Houpe's Introductory Spanish class.

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1. In just another day of WECS, Aaron "Shreds" Schmidt and Jeanne Chen dressed up as characters from Dante's *Inferno*. "I really enjoyed taking WECS; the teachers made it really fun and interesting," said Jeanne.

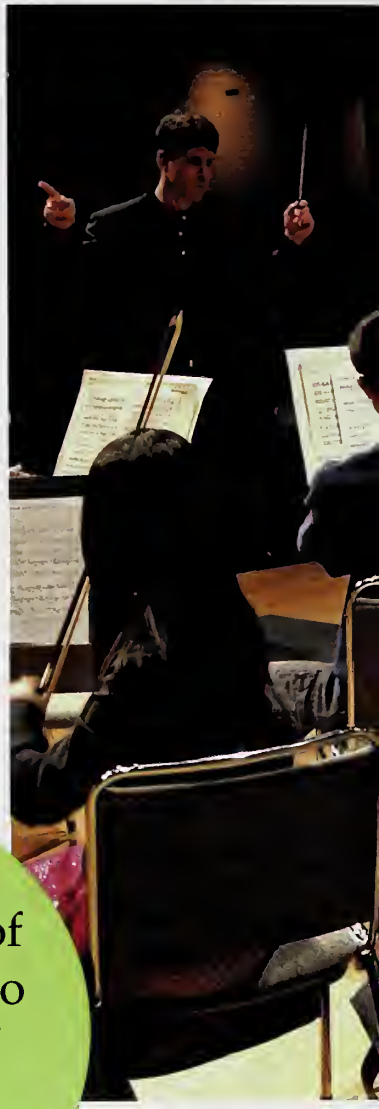
4. In a philosophy discussion, Zach Pugh contributed his thoughts to the conversation. Zach said, "I had a real interest for the topics in the class, as well as a knack for understanding them."

5. Combining technology with creativity, Will Baker received instruction from Mr. Juan Scivally in his digital imaging class. "The class was pretty easy since I had a lot of one-on-one time with him," said Will. "There were only two students, but it was my most fun class."

6. During another intellectually stimulating class period, Dr. Karen Glumm engaged Raymond Piatt in an American Studies history lecture. "Dr. Glumm's class allows you to think intently and deeply into human motivations and feelings," said Raymond.

Music

"The NCSSM Music Program offers something for everyone. We have excellent performing ensembles and exciting electives. It is really a pleasure to work every day with students that I truly enjoy. I can't think of a better place to make music!" Mr. Scott Laird said. Although our school boasts of our science labs, scientific equipment, numerous computer labs, wireless campus, and beautiful buildings and facilities, we also have an often overlooked resource to be proud of: the music department. This department is well-equipped with soundproof practice rooms, electric instruments for borrowing, access to the Duke Music Library, and fantastic teachers devoted to their work. "Mr. Laird is awesome," exclaimed Morgan Kearse, and Emily Wong seconded, "Mr. Laird's a considerate, reasonable man, and he shares his life with us. We have a good time."



"I can't think of a better place to make music!" -Mr. Laird

2. Letting their vocal abilities shine, Douglas Massengill, Jennifer Cook, Kiira Campbell, and Wendy Hua enjoyed singing in chorus. "Through the fine arts classes we are able to define how diverse we really are," said Douglas.

3. Playing viola and cello, Rebecca Gade, James McCann, and Jonathan Frederick practiced in Orchestra. "At my home school, the viola music was especially simple," Rebecca said. "Here, we play real music and it's like viola with topics."

1. Taking time out of a Friday night on the weekend of exams was no easy thing to do, but the orchestra and chorus managed it for one last rehearsal of the Schubert Mass in G. "This was a wonderful way to bring our ensembles together, along with a community choir, and perform a great work such as this," Mr. Laird said.

4. Perfecting her performance during an Orchestra rehearsal with the chorus, Rachel Revelle played with great dedication. Rachel said, "Playing the violin is a wonderful outlet for me to express myself artistically."

5. During an instrumental day of Jazz Combo, Aisha Amuda learned some basic drumming skills. "Jazz Comb offers its students a great range of knowledge about jazz and music in general," Aisha said. "I am primarily a vocalist, but I was able to expand my experiences in jazz to drumming."

6. Although finding time to practice an instrument can be tough, Elizabeth Cutrone and Amelia Wallace looked forward to playing the French horn. Amelia said, "Music helps me balance my life."

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Student Life

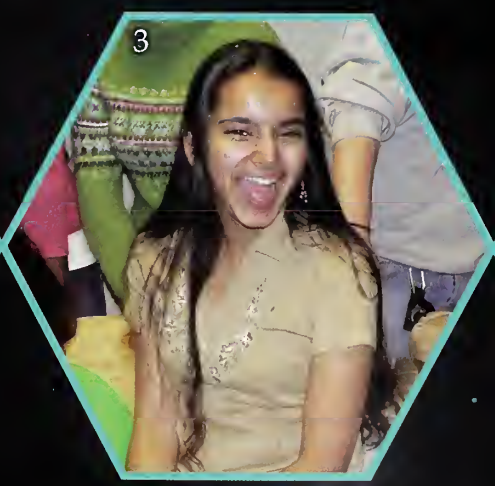
1. Playing ice-breakers during orientation week, Bianca Nguyen, Susan Jaconis, and Heather Faircloth burst into giggles.

2. Participating in the annual Halloween Dance, Sterling Fitzgerald cleverly disguised himself in a Willy Wonka costume.

3. Minutes after the 4th Bryan hall photo was taken Tanvisha Mody enjoyed a laugh with her hall.

4. At the Community Holiday Dinner, Wayne Kimball and Emanuel Bryant waited in line for the feast to begin.

It started out as a place you toured, and it ended up a place you lived. It was a time of unimaginable highs and lows, where friendships were forged, memories constructed, and life-long relationships born. Everyone was the same - gifted, talented, top of the class - but no one was the same - different backgrounds, experiences, values, and ideas. "Living at NCSSM as a Mexican girl has left a memory in me that I can never forget. I had never learned how great it was to be different until I came here and I know now that I can embrace my nationality wherever I go," said Elsa Mata. It wasn't always simple to find one's way here, Sharlie Latiolais pointed out, as she reflected on her two years. "I never thought living on a hall with 25 other girls would be easy, and it hasn't been, at times. But when I take that 25 and multiply it by the hours in a day that someone makes me laugh or does something off-the-wall crazy, it just makes the hard times disappear," she said. Learning how to clear those hurdles was another puzzle to solve at NCSSM, much like a calculus derivative or chemical equation. But it was a milestone on the road to maturity, freedom, and independence. As Brian Evans noted, "Being as close to friends - and as far away from parents - as we are, it seems as if we are growing up to become ourselves rather than the shadows of our parents." Student life, then, was more than check, sign-out cards, housekeeping, intramurals, and brother/sister hall activities: it was the beginning of a dynamic new phase in the lives of the students.

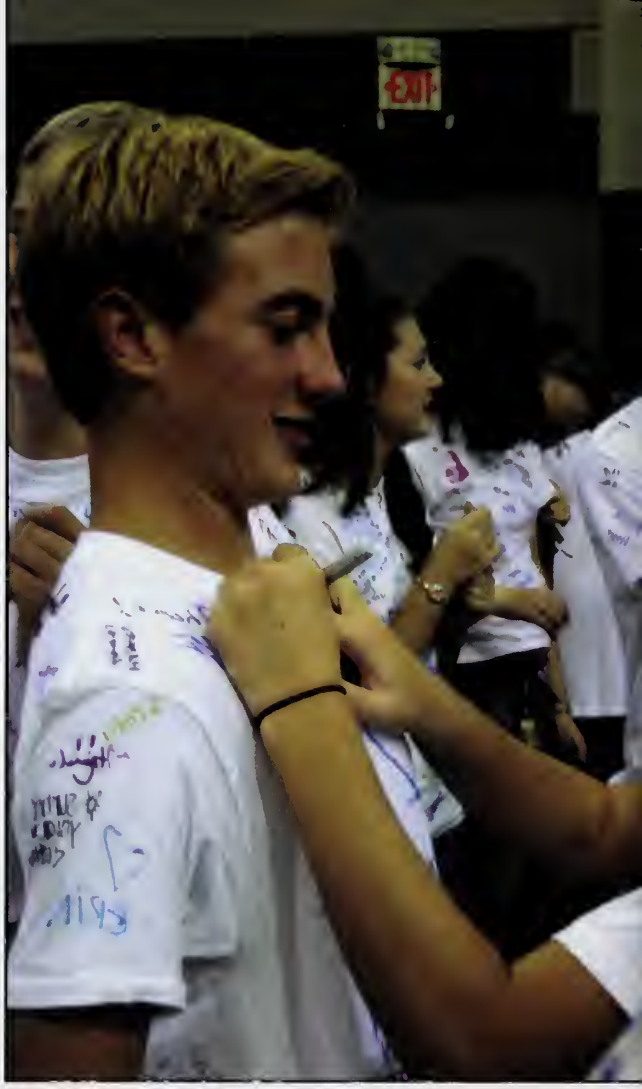


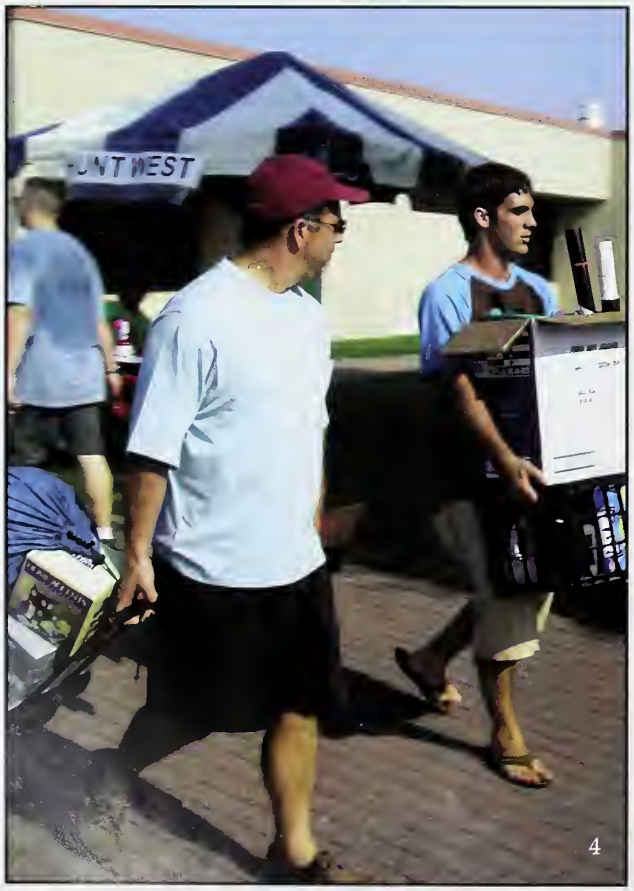
Starting a New Year

Unloading the car. Meeting your roommate. FOBing in for the first time. Saying good-bye to your parents. All these events make up the greater experience of Junior Move-In Day. As new students arrived from across the state, the Orientation Committee, RLAs, SLIs, and many others all helped welcome them to the NCSSM community. Once everything was unpacked, juniors started getting to know their new hall mates, and soon it was time for the picnic on Bryan Lawn. This was followed by the Ice Cream Social, where the old picked up where they left off with traditions such as "Tunak Tunak Tun" (the Indian song), while the new watched and learned.

Another long-standing NCSSM tradition was, of course, the T-Shirt Signing Dance, which has been an integral part of orientation week ever since the school opened in 1980. After all, how many other times in life can you run up to complete strangers and start writing on their shirt? It was a chance for seniors to catch up with old friends, and juniors to connect more names and faces.

This year's Convocation kicked off a celebration of the 25th year since NCSSM began. The highlight of the event was the appearance of former governor Jim Hunt, who was instrumental in the founding of NCSSM.





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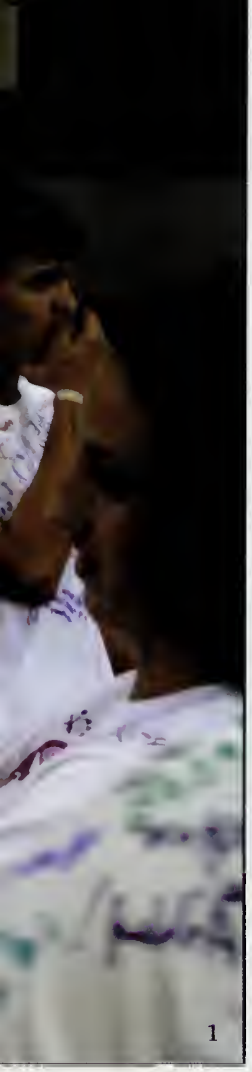
4. Hauling boxes from his car, junior Matt Gildner moved in to his new home on 4th West. "What most sticks out to me about Move-In Day was the fact that the Hunt elevator was actually working," Matt said. "Carrying all my stuff up the stairs would have been awful."

5. Once they had unpacked and their parents wished them good luck, James Harrell, Erik Gutekunst, James Howard, Mike Carpenter, Drew Courtright, Taylor Duganne, Matt Furmanek, and Daniel Bacigalupo started their new year with a picnic.

6. Sitting in a circle at the first day picnic, Hailey Loftis got to know the new juniors. "Get-to-know-you games," Hailey said, "should be appreciated, even if only upon reflection."



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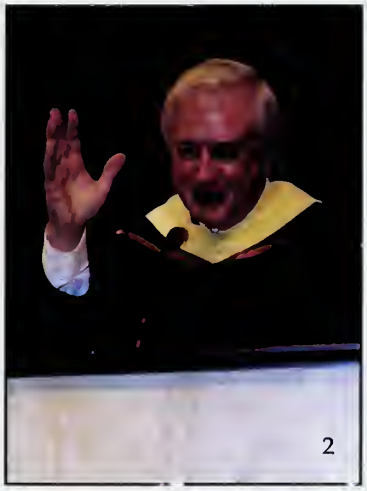
1. Mingling at the annual T-shirt Signing Dance, Stephanie Glass signed Thomas Perry's shirt. Talking about his first impressions, Thomas said, "Dude, this place is awesome. There are all kinds of cool people from all over the state."

2. Speaking at Convocation, Governor Hunt called NCSSM "an investment in our genius" and "one of the greatest accomplishments" of his sixteen years as North Carolina's governor.



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3. Roses in hand, Dan Swain and Adam Askren waited to escort their sister hall to Convocation. "You spend all day helping people search for ties, belts and black socks, and buying roses for the sister hall, and in the end it makes a lot of friendships and really brings the hall together," Dan said.

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On the 1st Week...

"Starting my new year at NCSSM as a senior was surreal I felt like I had finally made it to where I had been working to get to." - Aisha Amuda, center, with Chase Debnam and Breta Kotkin.

"The dance was a lot of fun, because it gave us the chance to meet new juniors while enjoying the delightful aroma of sharpies." - Holly Turner, left, with Aaron "Shreds" Schmidt and Melorah Brackley

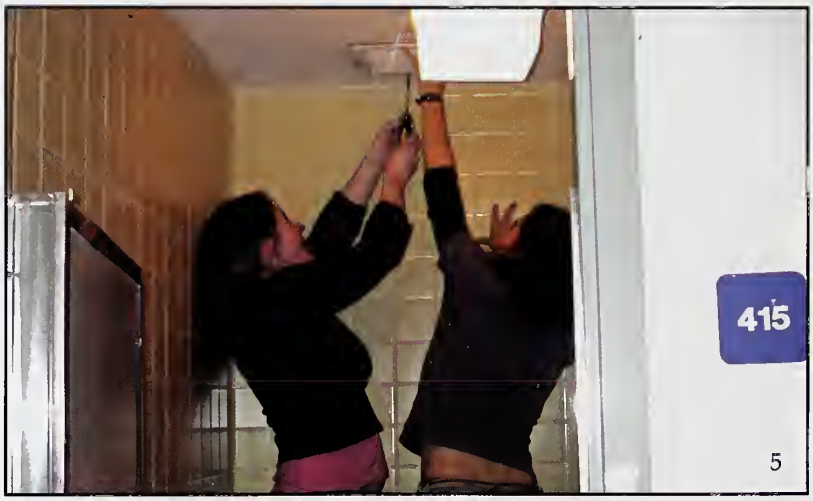
"Junior Move-In Day is like eating a bowl of Jelly Bellys: there are so many different types! It is thrilling, yet *terrifying*, because you can't tell green apple from jalapeño."
- Chelsea Nielsen, center, with Lucas Lankford and Katie Wallace.

Living & Learning

Residential life was, perhaps, the most significant difference between going to NCSSM and living at home. Before they came, each student had known that the academics would be challenging, but could not have anticipated the living and learning that awaited them.

Students moved onto halls that they had to share with as many as 40 of their peers. They were forced into realizing how their actions affected others. Things that used to be trivial, like playing music and wanting to watch a late-night television show, now concerned other people.

Students also had a whole new realm of rules and regulations to learn and to follow; they had joined a community and had to pull their own weight. Taking check, attending hall meetings, and doing housekeeping were activities that were elemental to life at NCSSM: no one could avoid them. Cleaning toilet stalls and scrubbing communal showers were not the most glorious aspects of student life, but they were integral and necessary for the everyday functioning of the school. Students had a lot thrown at them, but with each others help and support, living and learning became easier to handle. Friendships were founded, memories were made, and the school year was a success.



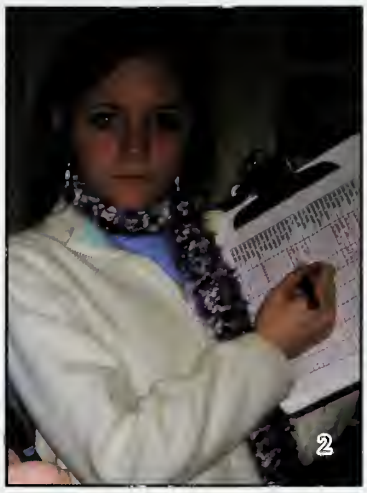
4. Mopping the Bryan stairwell, Quanetta Brown paid her dues for a Level. "Being the victim of work detail is a tough job and somebody has to do it - but why does it have to be me?!" Quanetta asked.

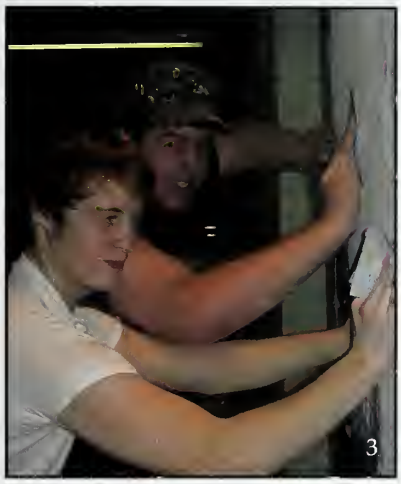
5. Doing a little maintenance on 4th Bryan, Molly Jones and Katie Dektar fixed the shower vent. "Who said RLAs don't do housekeeping?" Molly asked.

6. Checking her mailbox in Bryan Lobby, Bianca Faison smiled with anticipation. "Mail reminds me that there is life outside of NCSSM and there are people out there who still remember that I'm here!" she said.

1. Evacuating Hunt for a fire-drill, Mike Mian embraced the cold night air with a smile. "It's 2 a.m., it's 10 degrees, there is no fire... how does the school conduct fire drills without mass riots? It's impressive," Mike said.

2. Looking stern, RLA, Jessica Hanson took check. "Check lets me know that all the Second Beallians are safe and sound," Jessica said.





3. Sandpapering the walls of Hunt, Kyle Ivey and Wesley Johnson helped keep the hall looking good. "One of the very things that we came here to get away from has come back to haunt us," Wesley said of housekeeping.

In Close Quarters...

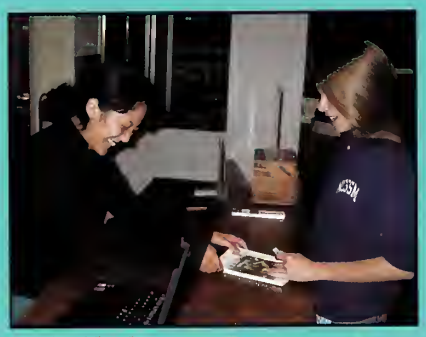
"The thing about living in a residential school is that you always have to watch your back for cameras when doing the most mundane things, like washing your face"
- Allie Landry

"Every check is special and unique. Sometimes we sign in rainbow colors." - Elizabeth Liles

"If housekeeping didn't exist, we would be living in a pig-sty rather than a very well-kept hall."
- Kellie Crook

At Your Service...

"The MS 150 Bike Ride was a great way to bond with NCSSM community members, reach personal goals and help a worthwhile cause." -Mr. Kevin Cromwell, second from left, with Mr. Scott Laird, Corey Dunn, Michael Lavarnway, and Dr. Michael Reidy.



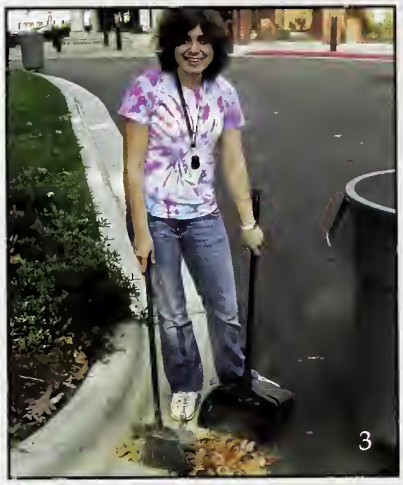
"I liked looking at what my peers were checking out, be it books or movies. Once, I went back a week later and picked up a copy of an interesting-looking book I had checked out for someone." - Maggie Zhou, left, with Daryl Clausen

"A lot of people ask which came first, the chicken or the egg. I want to ask a different question. Why can't the chickens just lay the eggs in the carton themselves?" - Sam Young, volunteering with his hall at the Food Bank

1. Volunteering with his hall mates, Jake Haskins organized crates of bread for the NC Food Bank in Durham.

2. Working during the Mardi Gras fund raiser, Sue Anne Lewis had a laugh. "It was great to see the community come together to help out other students in need who are just like them," Sue Anne said.

3. Completing her work service hours, Alex Hill raked leaves in front of Bryan. "The best part of grounds work service was being able to make fun of all my friends with PFM, knowing I'll never have to be in their place," Alex said.



Giving Back

Give back to a community that has given so much to you - that was the premise behind work service. If it was not for the jobs students did daily on campus, everything from chemistry labs to cafeteria lines would have come to a grinding halt. While they may not have been the most cherished three hours each week, they were essential to life. Beyond the school walls were the 60 hours of community service each student completed during the summer and shared with their peers through posters or PowerPoint presentations.

Students were also able to give back to the community at large; the most participation was for the fund raisers for the victims of Hurricane Katrina. Ground Reynolds sponsored a Mardi Gras dance and silent auction. All the proceeds were donated to the Louisiana School for Math, Science, and the Arts. In addition, Angels of Auxilium sponsored a fitness walk to raise money. Another event on campus was the Geek-A-Thon, where students refurbished old computers for Durham middle school students who were on the honor roll but did not have a computer in their homes: 89 computers were completed. Each of these projects demonstrated the dedication of NCSSM students to give back to their community.

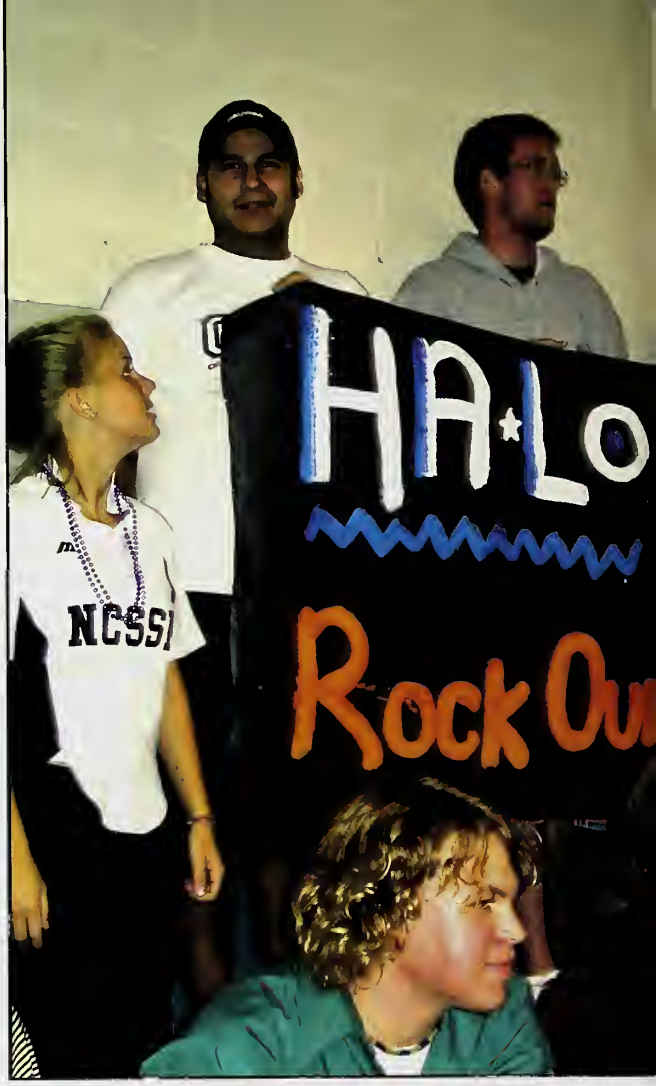
4. Hannah Martin and Justin Boucher ran to raise money for the victims of Hurricane Katrina. "I run because I enjoy the challenge of improving myself and defining my personal best. In this case, what better is there to do than something I enjoy while helping those in need at the same time?" Justin said.

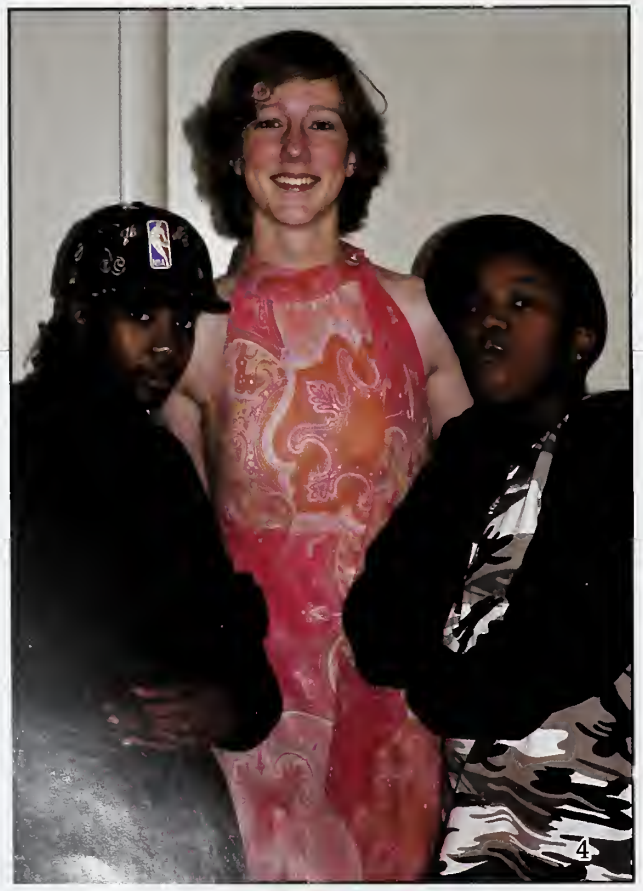
5. "I wanted to learn something about computers - and was taught how to build one," said Alex Fish (in pink) of the Geek-A-Thon.

6. Having completed his 60 hours of community service, Ben Bogardus waited to discuss his presentation. "Volunteering helped me to broaden my horizons and get in touch with a side of my town that I had previously been blind to," Ben said.

Unicorn Pride

In 1980 the first class chose the unicorn as the mascot: a unique symbol representing a one-of-a-kind school. Over the years the support of the Science and Math Unis has soared and this year, reached a fever pitch. A group of 2nd West and 2nd Bryan students founded the "Eilber Enthusiasts," a spirited bunch who cheered loudly at basketball games. A local newspaper covered their antics, as "unofficial ringleader" Doc Dougherty expressed his desire to make the PEC the "number one gym in high school sports!" Other students painted their chests, made colorful signs, or performed in the pep band to show their love. Keith Grose remarked that "screaming our lungs out was a great way to blow off steam!" Some fans even hopped in fan vans to away games to root on the NCSSM teams. Spirit Week was a time for the whole school to stop and display Uni Pride, as hall members dressed in matching outfits, juniors and seniors wore class colors, and some hardy souls participated in the deceptively titled "Hawaiian Shirt Day" (where nary a floral print was to be found). Students were proud to be proud of their Uni athletes who showed, as Amanda Sadler noted, "that students at NCSSM aren't just book smart, but well-rounded."





4. Dressing up as the opposite sex, Selena Boston, Nathaniel Wasson, and Torri Staton showed their Unicorn pride. "Not only do you get to show school spirit, but guys get to know how hard it is to be a girl, and girls get to see how easy it is to be a guy!" said Torri.

5. Painting themselves blue and white, Charlie Hart, Chris Brogdon, Keith Grose, and Mark AbuMoussa cheered on the basketball team. Charlie quoted Mark Twain, who said, "Spirit has fifty times the strength and staying-power of brawn and muscle."

6. "Pep band? Oh yeah, it's fun," Courtney Angers said. The pep band played at every home basketball game for both the men's and women's team. "NO ONE has school spirit like the Unis," Shivani Desai said.

1. On senior night, Gabi Ghali, Chris Calascione, and Amanda Sadler supported Molly Cline and Hailey Loftis. "The night was especially important for the girls who were playing their last season of high school volleyball," Amanda said

2. The banana costume was seen at many sporting events this year, especially basketball. When ventured the question why, the only response Ivey Redding would give was "it's peanut butter jelly time."

3. Wearing a unicorn horn, Doc Dougherty cheered on the men's basketball team. "The Eilber Enthusiasts undoubtedly made their presence felt at each and every home game. Personally, I wouldn't be all that distracted by a group of guys jumping around and yelling while wearing skirts, but that's just me and I don't play basketball," Doc said.

School Spirit...

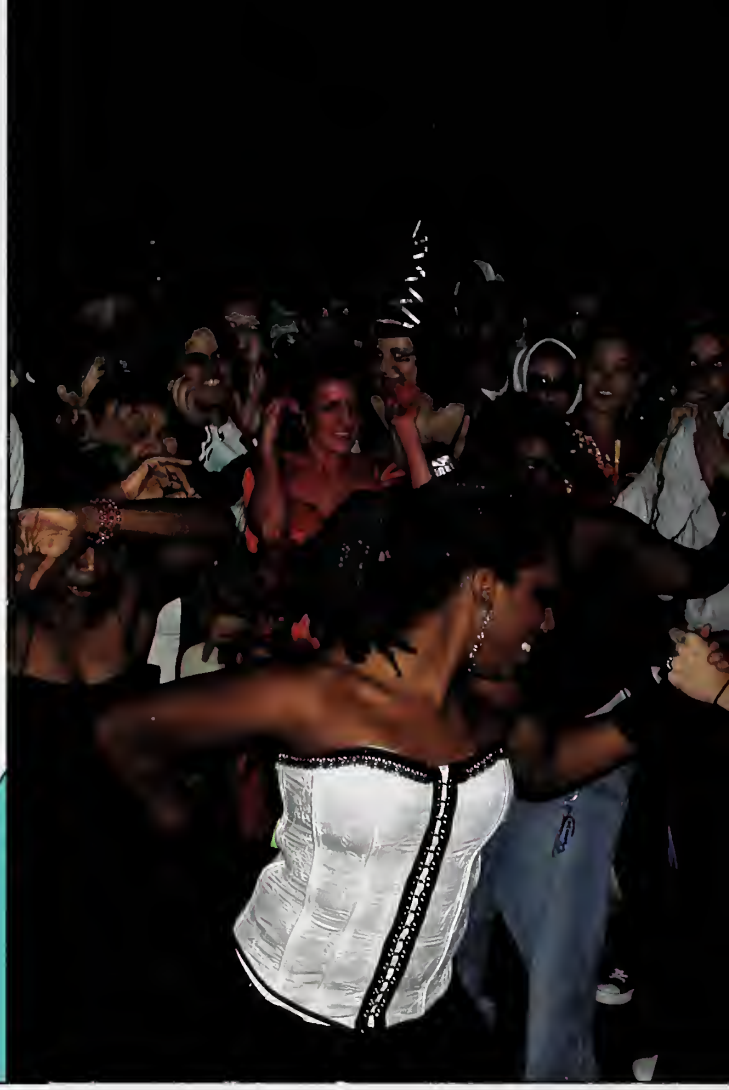
"It really says something about a school if it has such an amazing turnout for a spirit week activity - although, in this case I am not quite sure what that something is." - Katie Dektar, right, with Paul Corbett

"Pep band turned out to be a great opportunity to get out of the daily race to catch up on physics, precalculus, etc., and just overall have a great time." - Ashley Trudeau

"We've started something great this year, and people have started to look for the Eilber Enthusiasts to cheer the Unis on at every home game. I hope the tradition is carried on next year." - Michael Lavarnway, left, with Dave Shaw

A Night Incognito

The Halloween dance brought out the kid in everyone. It was a chance to dress up as someone (or something) else, to explore the dark side, or just be silly. There were ninjas, gangstas, angels, devils, goths, witches, and at least one sexy nurse (thanks, Carl!). Lessie Scott thought that it was "really interesting to see the ideas that people came up with - what were some of them thinking?" Did she mean the boys wrapped in Saran Wrap? The Oompa Loompa? The guy dressed as Mr. Rash (who himself was dressed as Homestar Runner)? In a place where you could be who you wanted to be, sometimes it was nice to be someone else. "The Halloween dance has a certain uniqueness not found anywhere else at NCSSM - it's colorful, vibrant, and you get to change identities for the night," said Adam Preslar. And it was a dance where dancing was fun but almost lost in the spectacle of discovering who was who. The best costume award went to the guys from 2nd Bryan, who became the Ashe-Jones family. "From simple costumes to elaborate ones, students demonstrate how clever they can be. It is one of my favorite events of the year!" said judge Ms. Doyle.



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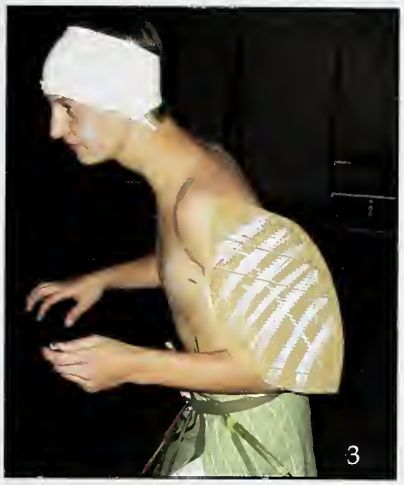
1. Putting the dance in Halloween dance, Alexandra Jay and James McCann busted a move. James said that it was "the best time to get up, let loose, and set that inner monster free!"

2. Dressed as Trinity from the Matrix, Christine Smith said, "I love Halloween because you get to pretend to be anything or anyone."



3. Acting the part, Steven Schlaefer did a Zulu Warrior dance.

7. Dressed as the Ashe-Jones family, Chris Cotter was Lucy, Ivey Redding was Zoe, Doc Dougherty was Jennifer, and Andy Martin was Steve. "I was very impressed," Steve said. "Especially Andy: he did such a good job. I hold my computer like that at hall meetings."

4. As celebrities incognito, Jessica Hanson and Amanda Sadler tried to avoid the paparazzi. "We had to stay under cover," Jessica said.

5. The elements Wind, Earth, Fire, and Water were represented by Haolan Cai, Alex Hill, Madison Simon, and Sneha Yerra. Of the dance, Sneha said, "some of us can sure come up with some crazy things!"

6. Vann Newkirk as Superman, with Erik MacIntosh as a rock climber, said, "Basically, I needed a quick costume for the dance. I knew that I had a Superman shirt and a button-up and I wear glasses, so I did a little improvising."

Playing Dress Up...

"I decided to be Dr. Yaman because we've always joked about how the fact that we look alike is rather uncanny, and SAB dances are always fun." - Margaret Yim, right, with Bonnie Bommelje and Stephane Henrion

"Yee-haw! I chose this outfit to be different. I did not want to have the same costume as everyone else. I'm just in it for the candy, though!"
- Matt DuVall

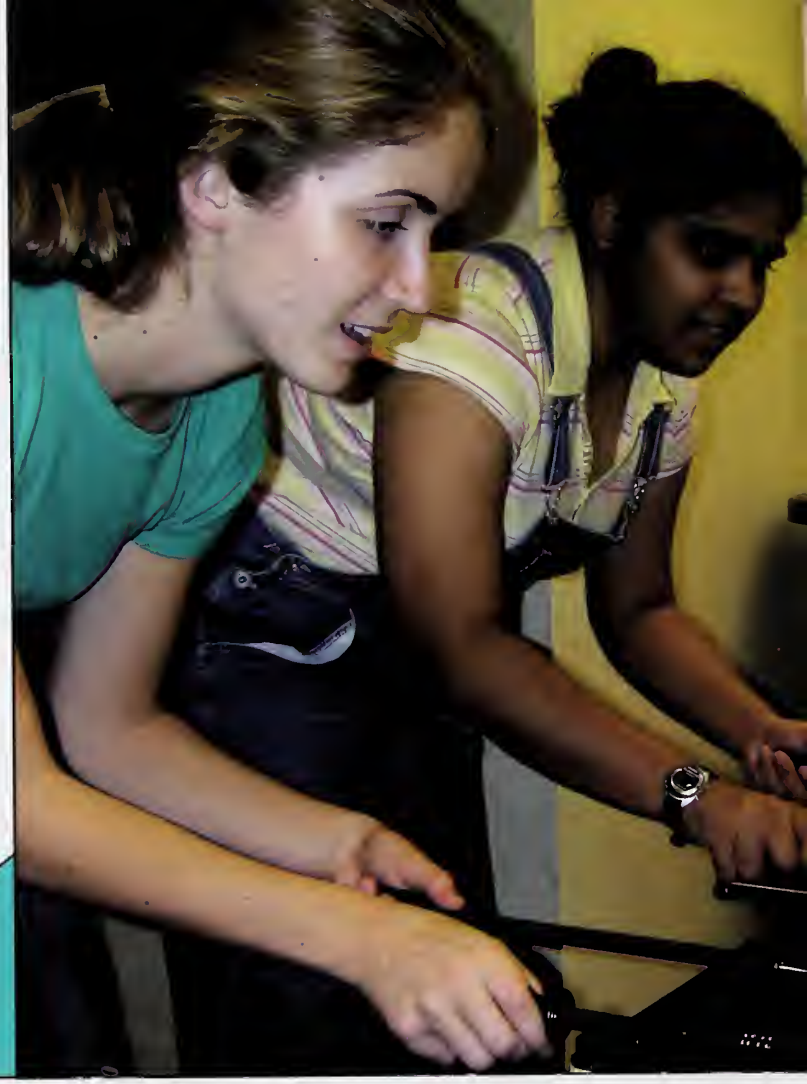
"I chose my outfit (JFK) because I like to remain steadfast in my pursuit to be a patriotic American."
- Douglass Massengill, left, with Kimberly Applewhite

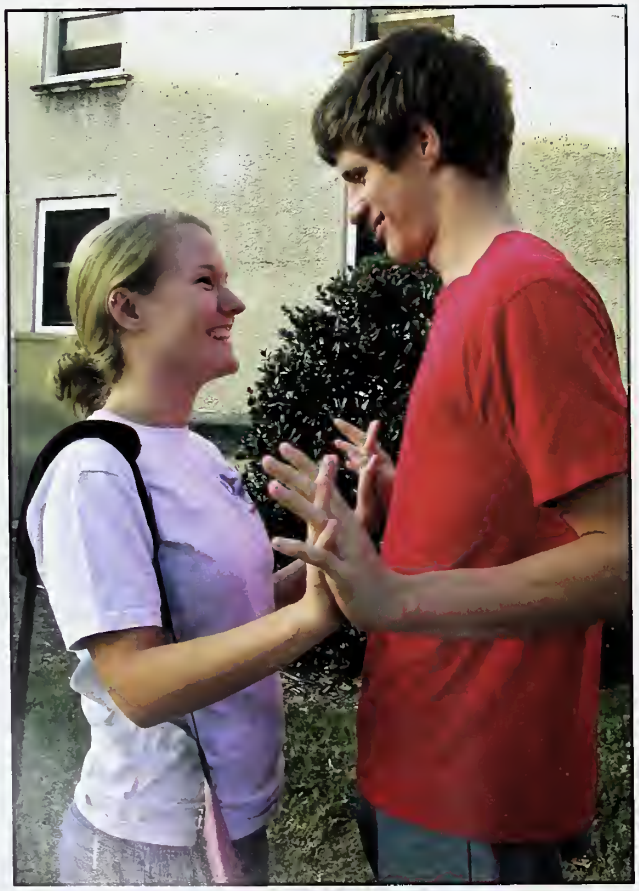
Hanging Out

This year it was practically impossible to walk by the Chiba lawn and see the swing set empty. It seemed as though there was always someone swinging, making sand art, or just hanging out. Whether it was a paper that was being put off or the irresistible call of a sunny day, there were numerous reasons to put studies on hold and just enjoy being on campus. Students could be found playing cards in Bryan Lobby, throwing a Frisbee in front of Hill, lounging on Bryan lawn, or eating lunch in the ETC courtyard.

Lounges were also popular places for relaxing. In hall lounges students could take advantage of comfy couches and television, or they could converse with their hall mates while enjoying a microwaveable meal. Some halls even had foosball tables, pool tables, DDR pads, and video games in their lounges.

An icon for senioritis, the senior bench was an infamous hang out spot. The senior bench was a place that seniors, and sometimes even juniors, could go to just hang out.

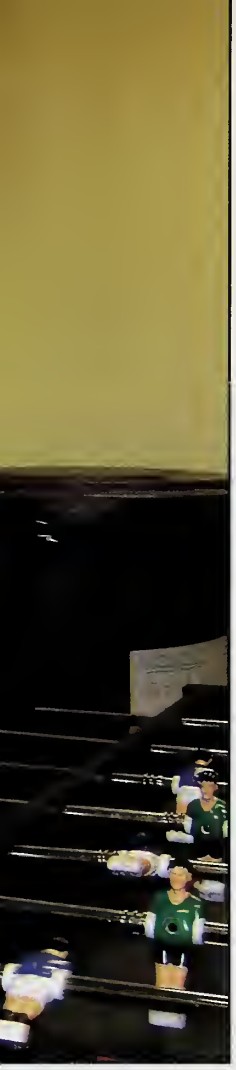




4. Soaking up the sun outside Hill House, Lizz Moody and Ryan Stairs held hands. "Having a 'someone' here is great, because no matter how bad your day has been, you know when you see them that they will make you smile and it will all seem better," said Lizz.

5. Enjoying their time at the PFM, Jeffrey Lee, Max Rose, and Scott Bowen sat down for a meal. "People don't go to PFM for the food," said Jeffrey. "They go there to hang out with their friends."

6. Enjoying an unseasonably warm winter day, Ramsey Cardwell, Amy Beeston, and Anna Engelke swung. Anna said, "There's something lovely about swinging on a nice day. It's like you get out of an tough exam, the weather is beautiful, and you soar to the skies as everything melts away."



1. Playing foosball, Susannah Small and Priya Desai relaxed on 3rd Bryan. "Playing foosball on hall is a great way to have fun after check," Priya said.

2. After 2nd Hill lost the Ultimate Frisbee championship to 1st Hill, Mike Carpenter was forced to hang out on campus wearing a kilt. "It's always nice to have a reason to dress in drag," said Mike. "I don't know who got the better of that bet."

3. Standing outside Hill House, Alex Hardee and Kam Rokon socialized after school. "There are a lot of ways to relax on campus; our favorites are to watch movies with buddies, sit outside in the sun, take long walks through the campus, and cuddle with significant others," said Kam.

Making Free Time...

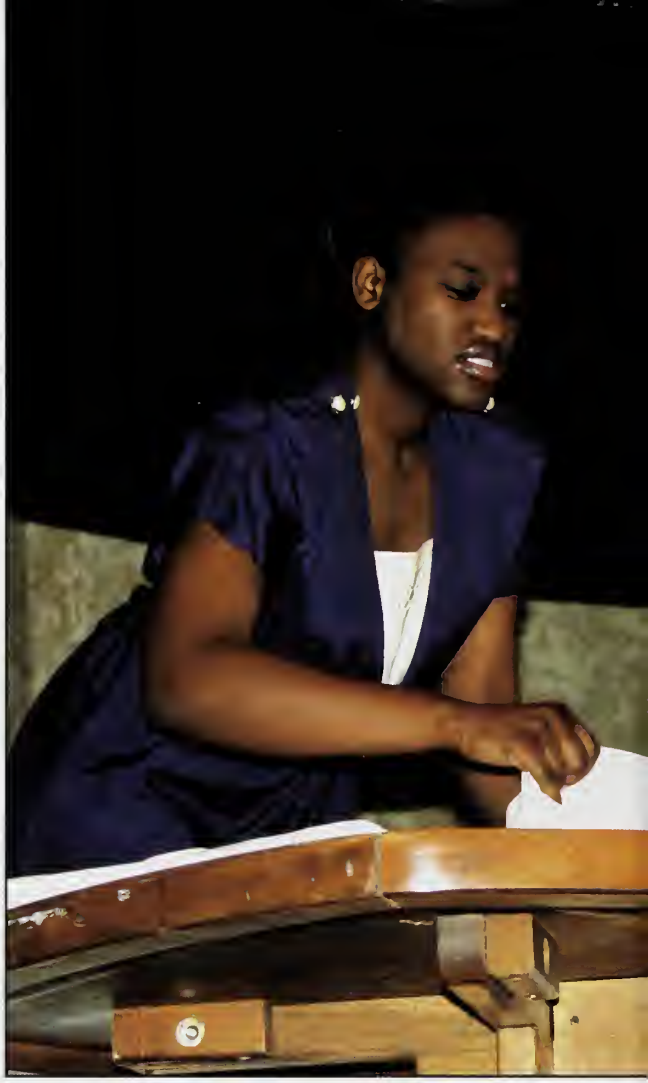
"I started solving Rubik's cubes when I came here because I saw others doing it and decided it would be a fun thing to learn. As it turns out, it is a lot of fun for me and I can easily pass the time solving these." - Pedro Pimentel

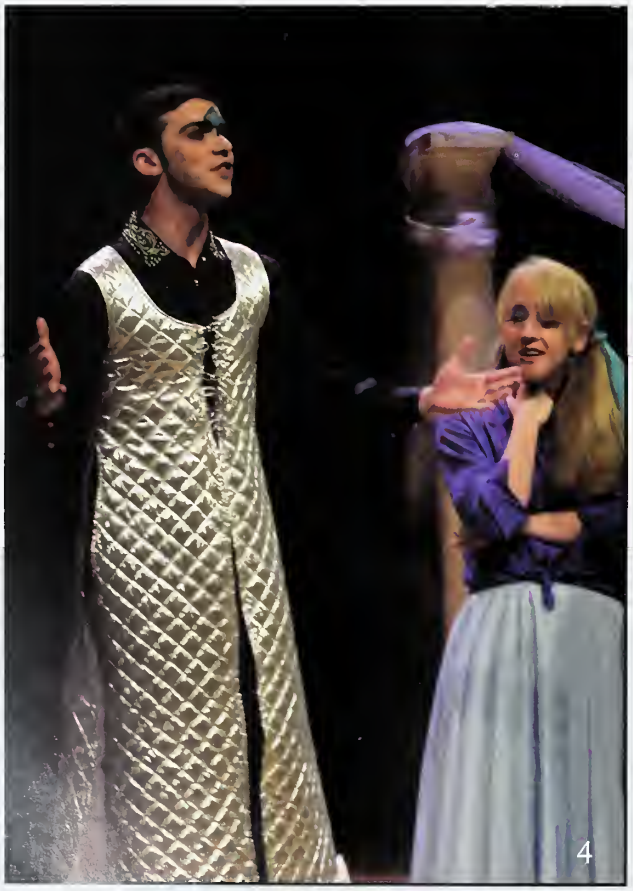
"Whenever I go to watch NCSSM sports, I usually end up chatting away with my friends. I rarely know what the score is or what's going on, but I really do enjoy the few moments when I'm actually paying attention." - Sara Wise, left, with Peggy McKay

"Not only can these junior girls hold their own weight at Science and Math...they can hold MINE too." - Derrell Vann, with Salena Boston, Jessica Scroggins, and Chrissy Jusino

Curtain Call

For the second time in school history, the drama board put on three plays during the school year: a Shakespeare, a straight play, and a musical. Each play had to be created within the span of a trimester. It was a lot of work, but it paid off when the curtains were pulled open for the first time. "It's always amazing standing backstage right before the play starts. People are rushing around, some talking too much or too loudly, other not saying anything at all. Everyone's doing something, whether it's the job they signed up for two weeks or two months ago, or it's just something they did on the spot," Bryn McDonald said. However, opening night also had its challenges. "I was supposed to go on stage as a hard-core seductive temptress clad in black leather boots and Gothic make-up. My character was going to allure men, and my parents, my two older brother, and my younger sister, who I'm supposed to set examples for, were watching. The only reassurance I got was 'The show must go on!'" said Laura Gomez-Nichols. In the end, it didn't matter how many lines were skipped or whether or not the light cue was off: it was the memories made that counted. Actor Corey Kim said, "I love working in theater, and theater at Science and Math was no exception."

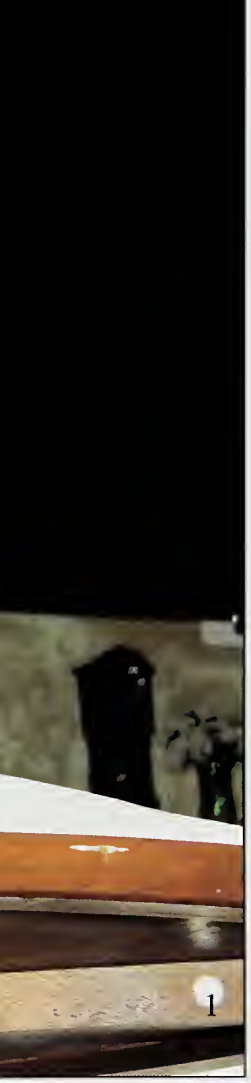




4. Acting as Bassianus in *Titus Andronicus*, Jake Reardon worked the crowd. "Theatre at NCSSM has a way of making you feel 'happysad.' All the effort and teamwork really pays off in the end, and then you strike the set," said Jake.

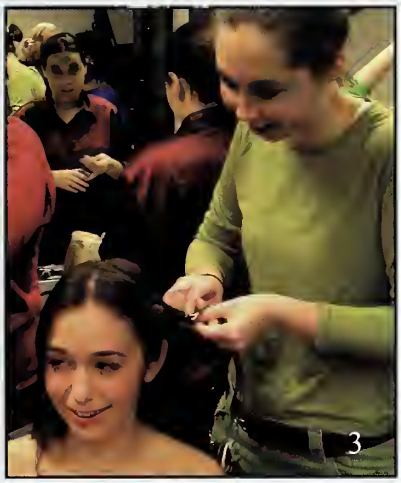
5. Fighting over who loved Lavinia more, Corey Kim as Chiron and Martin Locklear as Demetrius showed their acting skills. "The best part about the fall play was seeing all the outrageous costumes and make-up," said Corey. "The first time I looked in the mirror with my Goth makeup on, I even scared myself."

6. As the Kirby family in *You Can't Take It with You*, Alex Calhoun and Heather Faircloth were Mr. and Mrs. Kirby and Keith Grose was Tony. "I met a lot of good friends through the play, and had a lot of fun putting it on," Heather said.



1. Acting as Rheba in *You Can't Take it With You*, Aisha Amuda set the table.

2. Flirting with Tamora on stage, Turner Carroll played Saturninus in the fall Shakespeare play, *Titus Andronicus*. "Drama here at NCSSM has been an amazing experience; I've met new friends and had a lot of fun," Turner said. "Playing the role of Saturninus was great, and picking out the costume was a blast!"



3. Backstage before the show, Bryn McDonald braided Sara Wise's hair. "I became Sara's impromptu hair dresser; it was really fun and it helped me calm down right before the curtain went up," said Bryn. "Really, who doesn't like playing with someone else's hair?"

In the Limelight...

"Directing Titus Andronicus was a wonderful and singular experience. It gave me the chance to be in a position of leadership, and it allowed me to see the stage from a different perspective." - Rachel Shauger

"My biggest issue was Zack telling me that I would have to wear black lipstick and chains. I mean, I never wear make up and I hardly even change out of my pajamas in the morning." - Laura Gomez-Nichols

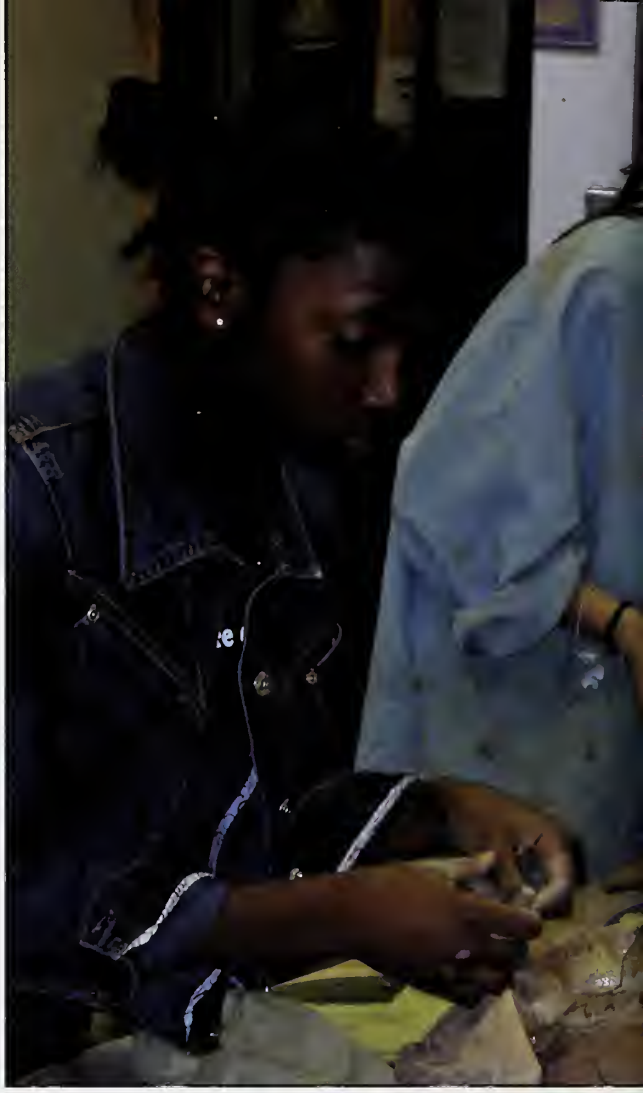
"I personally love watching everyone get excited about their role–from backstage manager to lead. To me, watching all that means a place to speak out, in a language very different from numbers." - Jennifer Cook

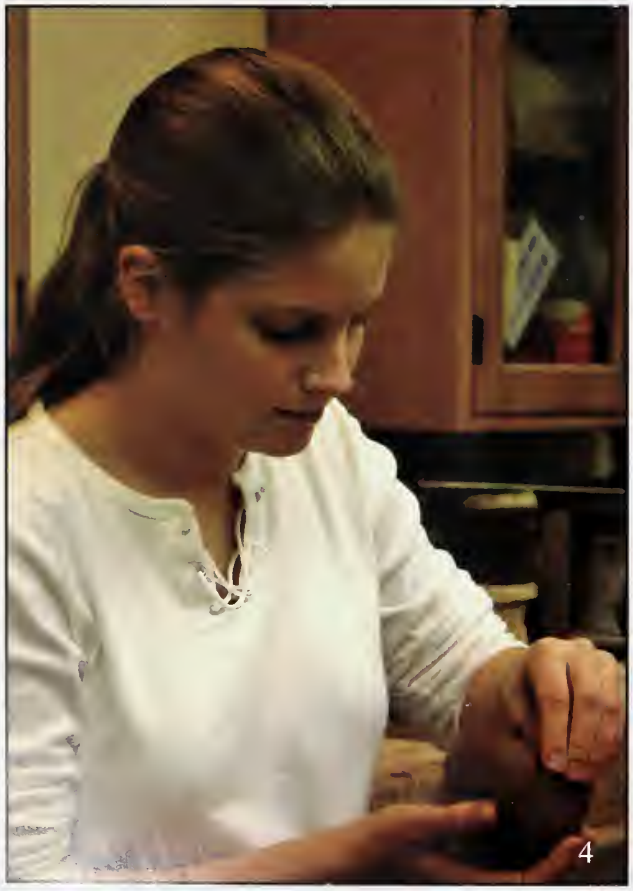
Art Attack

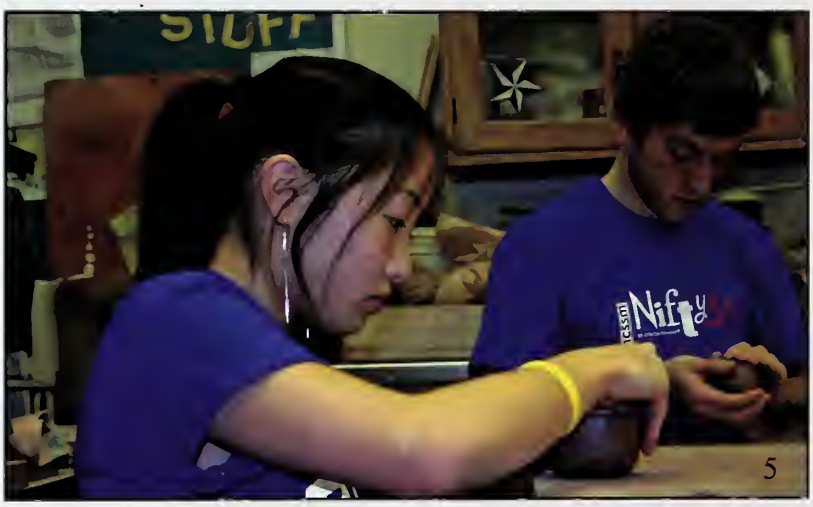
"I like art because everyone gets a chance to be different - no questions asked," said Lucy Zhang. Art activities gave students an opportunity to put themselves into their assignments. Projects weren't derived from any equations, and there was no solution in the back of the book. Working on art projects was a manifestation of emotion - any emotion. It was putting feeling and vision into a physical concept - it was art.

The art room was not on reserve for those with easy schedules loaded with early outs; students with less free time were also able to participate. Grace Joo liked that: "My favorite thing about the art program is that our studio is always open to students who want to do art, not just for people who take art classes." Whether it was in the form of a class or weekend activities sponsored by the Art Club, there was a way to fit art into everyday life. Some students took photography, ceramics, the art of science and math, mechanical drawing, or even oil painting as a night class.

Ms. Bryant Holsenbeck, the faculty art club sponsor, taught crafts such as making hemp jewelry, tie dye, homemade journals, duct tape wallets, bottle cap earrings, and cigar-box purses. "At NCSSM, if you can imagine it, you can probably do it," exclaimed Mr. Joe Liles.





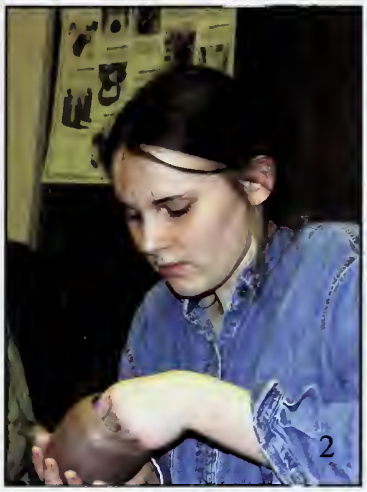


4. Envisioning her future pinch pot, Laura Parks shaped her clay accordingly. "Sometimes I work in the art studio when I'm feeling stressed. I think it's therapeutic and I'm glad we have such a great art program," Laura said.

5. Taking a break from studying, Victoria Park and Lucas Lankford worked on their pinch pots. "I never knew it could feel so great to retreat into a mass of mud after a long day of classes...it's my own all-natural, organic stress relief," said Victoria.

6. Drawing on themselves, Susan Jaconis and Calley Jones learned about the art of henna tattoos. "Henna is really fun because you can get totally wild and it's gone in just a couple of weeks. I'm not a great artist, but it's fun having a live canvas," Calley said.

1. Working in ceramics class, Natalie Singleton and Kelly Anderson molded clay. "I love art classes at NCSSM because you're given so much artistic freedom and are told to just run with it," said Kelly. "It's nice that I can be creative on my own terms."

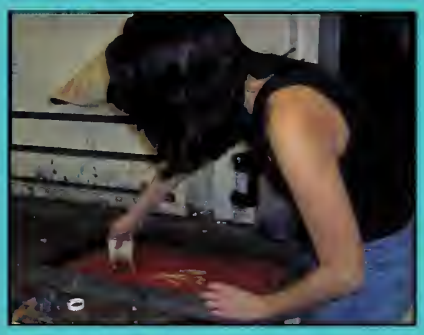


2. At an Art Club activity, Annie Clontz said, "Trying to put art into words is like trying to attach a reason to your parents' endless affections."

3. Laughing at his neighbor, Jeffrey Blackwell had fun while making a pinch pot in the art studio.

Loving Art...

"Taking pictures makes me more aware of my environment around me; my whole perspective changes and I find myself attracted to all the little things I visually take for granted."
- Alex Cole-Weiss



"Juan Scivally is my hero!"
- Sam Thomas, on her appreciation for art teacher Mr. Scivally, who taught her screen printing

"I am right here Priya, where are you?"
- Amy Wen, on making a kaleidoscope without her friend Priya Desai

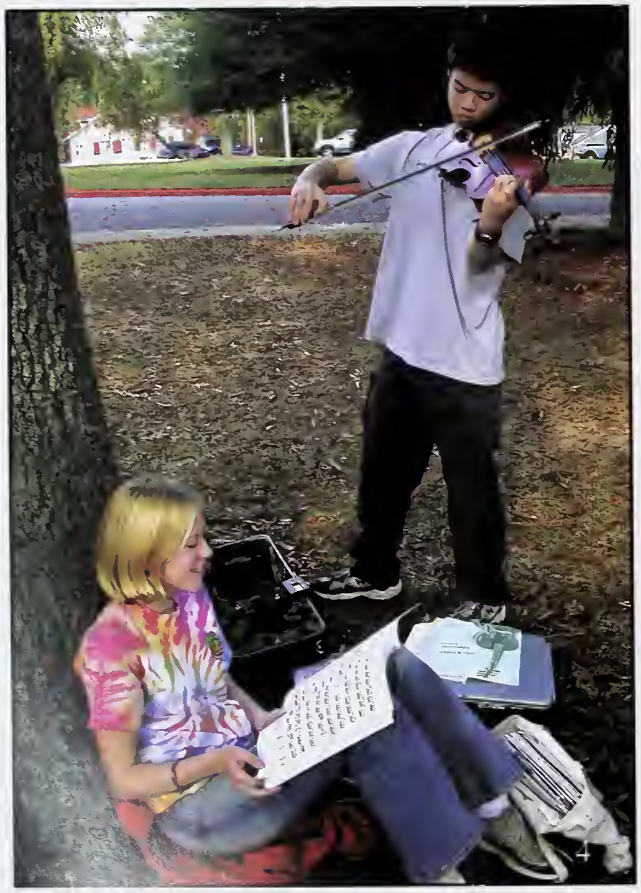
Surround sounds

Music filled the air. Be it by listening to an iPod or playing the guitar, students were able to appreciate all varieties of music.

On special Friday nights, students could show off their talents at the Koffeehaus, with comedy acts, songs, and theatrical performances. In between performances co-hosts Jake Reardon and Katie Tygielski would introduce acts and tell jokes to the audience. "Jake and I had to do 'joke research' before each Koffeehaus so that we could maintain our corny reputation," said Katie. There was no contest or big prize at Koffeehaus, just the joy of sharing talent with the school.

The Colours Gospel Choir was a way for students to learn about gospel music and stay close with their spiritual side. They put on an astounding show during the Martin Luther King, Jr., Day Celebration and the Colours Commencement performance.

The not so musically talented could still share their love of music through the school with WUNI, the NC-SSM radio. The radio broadcast to people on campus over the internet. "With shows every night, there was bound to be something good to listen to - at least once," said radio host Nick "DJ Nicko" Hamden.



4. Enjoying the fresh air, Nicole Anthony looked on while Steven Ji practiced the viola. "Have you ever listened to a song in a different language and understood what it was saying? Music is a language, and it knows no bounds," Steven said.

5. Hosting a WUNI radio show, Lisa Pepin, Jenn Batchelor, and Lucy Zhang talked on the wavelengths. "Music is the supreme form of communication and radio gives me the opportunity to share with others," Jenn said.

6. Performing at Koffeehaus, Sara Cheney sang and played guitar. "I know it may seem like such a small thing here at S&M, but Koffeehaus provides me with the opportunity to show others a part of who I really am," Sara said.

1. Leading the Gospel Choir, Erica Perry celebrated the memory of Martin Luther King. "To me, music is the way that God expresses Himself through me and one of the many ways that He communicates with me," said Erica. "Music brings healing, encouragement, joy, and so many other things that get lost in the hustle and bustle of daily life."

2. Host of Koffeehaus, Katie Tygielski, told a joke between acts.

3. Singing at Koffeehaus, Nathan Ellenfield and Ryan Kilby harmonized. "Koffeehaus is one of the best things you can experience here at S&M...and Koffeehaus is just a lot of fun," Ryan said.

Performing Live...

"I live for the stage and getting pumped up with Katie before and during a show and watching that crowd gawk at us during our fantastic delivery of jokes." - Jake Reardon

"I have a passion for music which I can express through my playing at Koffeehaus with Carl and Shreds and whoever else wants to play some music." - Chuck Fort

"Gospel music is my way of escaping everyday stress and problems. It serves as an inspiration and constant motivation for me. I sing in the Gospel choir to uplift God's name using my voice to glorify and praise Him. - Michael French

A Day in the Life

December 5th, 2005

A glimpse of everyday life at NCSSM

Pictured: 1. Emma Htun 2. Mohammed Khan 3. Noah Lavine, Xavier Blount, Krishna Karra, Alex Hill, Brian Hulette, Ray Doyle, Wendell Wilson 4. Elizabeth Alloway 5. Zack Powell 6. Kiara Vincent 7. Jason Hawkins 8. Amanda Reno, Stephanie Laboy 9. Andy Marks, James Winder 10. Caleb Lee, Mary Kohlmann 11. Han Zhang, Quinn Morris

Pictured: 12. Laura Temple 13. Nancy Warren 14. Mary Eannarino 15. Dr. Dan Teague, Cortney Dahlgren, Calvin Young 16. Dave Shaw, Erin Summerlin 17. Gechi Nzewi 18. Drew Keener 19. Mesha Batts, Eva Panjwani 20. Aisha Amuda 21. David Li, Hongsuk Song 22. Frank Liao 23. Stephen Long

A Winter Wonderland

It was a cold December eve when the PEC was transformed into a starry night by the Student Activities Board for the traditional Semi-Formal Dance. The pathways leading to the gym were lined with luminaries and twinkling lights glowed all around. Beautiful princesses and handsome princes enjoyed dinner out before arriving. As Whitney Baker reflected, "We were just a bunch of overdressed kids traipsing around the mall. And afterwards, we got to dance. Bonus!"

And the Semi-Formal wouldn't be complete without 500 finely dressed students stopping in mid-dance to flop down on the floor and listen to Dr. Jon Miller read *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*. Eric Gerard said Dr. Miller's booming voice made for a great rendition: "I hadn't heard that story since I was a child; it really brought back memories." SAB coordinator Steve Jones recalled asking Dr. Miller to read the year before, only he inadvertently asked him to read *'Twas The Night Before Christmas*. "Well," said Dr. Miller, "we've read *The Grinch* for nearly 20 years, it's probably time for a change." Steve immediately realized his mistake and assured him that there's no messing with that tradition!

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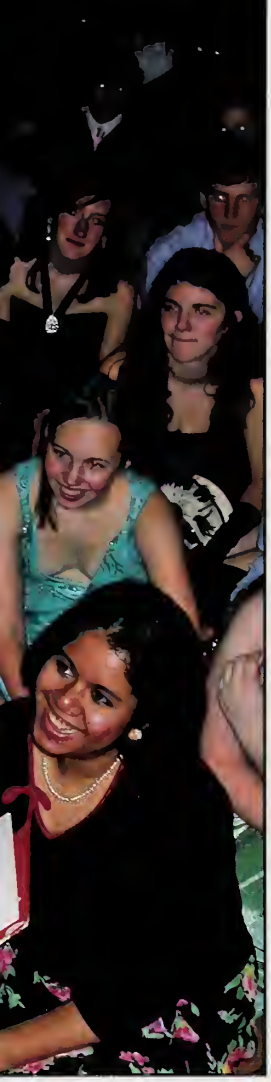
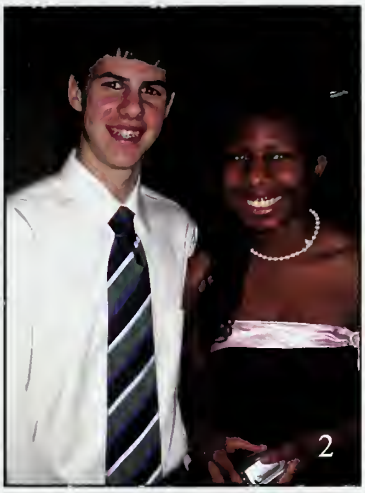
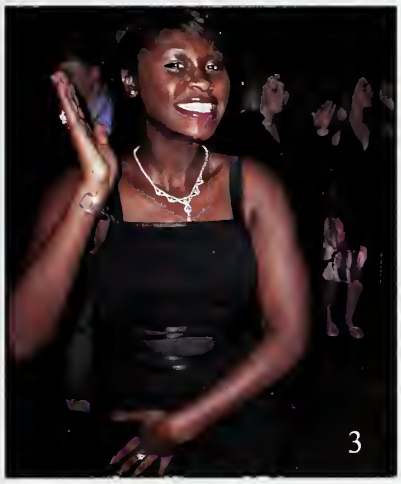


1. For the twentieth year, Dr. Miller continued the tradition of reading *How the Grinch Stole Christmas* to the students. "It's the best part of Semi-Formal," Ellie Norton said, "maybe even the whole year."

2. Taking a break from the dance floor, Justin Boucher and Katherine Demby relaxed. "Semi-Formal was a dazzling, elegant, and unforgettable night, SAB did such an amazing job," Katherine said.





3. Matesha Jones used Semi-Formal to "Boogie Oogie Oogie," because as she said, "dancing helped me relieve some stress!"

7. "All in all, it was an incredible night," said Julianne Goyena, pictured with Hongsuk Song. "But I think what really made all the difference was spending it with the right person."

4. A benefit of going to the semi-formal dance was being able to have significant others from home visit, as Bryan Creviston and Rebecca Barket, a sophomore, showed.

5. Enjoying the dance, Whitney Baker, Brenton Vasconcellos, Justin Buie, Rebekah Vestal, and Magen Tomasino hugged. "It was sheer awesomeness!" Rebekah said.

6. James Winder, Ann Mast, Emily Wong, Emma Htun, and Jon Courtney had fun eating dinner out before the dance. "It felt great to dress up and embody some sort of elegance for once," James said. "Well, it felt great until I tripped up the stairs walking into the minibus. Other than that I was darned fancy."

Decked Out...

"Looking at the whole setup and seeing how great it looked in the end made me feel even better that I was able to help make it happen with my fellow SAB members." - Sneha Yerra, left, with Elizabeth Garrard

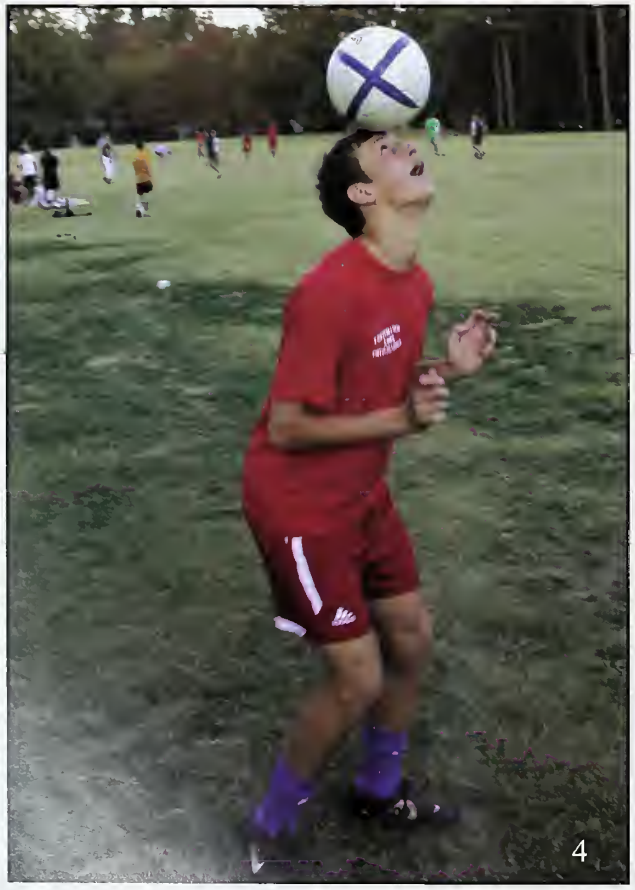
"Dining out before the dance was a great way to relieve some of the stress from school, and the night provided us an opportunity to see another side of our classmates and friends."- Michael B. Jones, left, with Wayne Kimball

"I was enjoying a special night at Semi-Formal with my friends three days before my 18th birthday. Dancing is a way that I express my personality and have fun." - Amanda Eure

Playing for Bragging Rights

Soccer in the fall, ultimate and volleyball in the winter, basketball in the spring: intramural sports were a vital part of student dynamics. Halls were split into two divisions, and the top two teams from each would compete in the playoffs. Although created as a means to make the student body more active, IM sports have quickly become the cause of intense competition and hall rivalries. Each hall had to pick captains, and some halls even held practices. The determination and the drive to win culminated in hall bonding. "When all of the girls on hall get together we always act crazy and have fun, and that's EXACTLY what people see when they watch us play," said Whitney Chrisco of Ground Royall.

Ultimate was added to the IM roster this year, and with it, an IM revolution: brother and sister halls played together as a team. "I think ultimate Frisbee was a great choice for IM competition; the sport has an awesome balance of athleticism, technique, and sportsmanship," Matt Ball said. Adding ultimate made a smooth transition between soccer and basketball, there was now less time between the sports. Halls that won could carry over the enthusiasm and halls that lost were determined to show that they, too, could succeed.



4. Barred from playing IMs because he was on the varsity team, Steven Schlaefer supported his hall from the sidelines where he worked on his own soccer skills. "I liked to watch my hall make it to the finals," Steven said.

5. Celebrating their win, Ground Royall had a team huddle on the court. "I love it because everyone comes out and participates, and we have so much fun together. It doesn't matter whether we win or lose; having fun is what matters!" said co-captain Whitney Chrisco.

6. As Ryan Stairs guarded him closely, Matt Ball made a pass in ultimate Frisbee. Matt thought Frisbee was a good choice for IMs, partially because "you can talk about things like breaking the mark, forcing forest, and throwing a scoober...all in all, it's great fun."

1. Giffin Daughtridge of 2nd Bryan attempted a penalty kick against Tyler Ross of 2nd West during a soccer game. "IM soccer was a lot of fun and it gave us an excuse to put down homework for a while," Giffin said.

2. Adam Askren jumped at the net to block Calvin Young's spike. "IM is where anyone can have fun with a sport no matter how terrible you are," said Calvin.

3. Taking a break from the soccer game, Jessica Scroggins high-fived a teammate on the sidelines. "IM soccer was great! I loved the way it helped my hall bond; after every game we felt closer, no matter what the outcome of the game was," Jessica said.

Hall vs. Hall...

"IM volleyball is great because it's a chance for me and my hall mates to have fun." - Elizabeth Alloway, serving for Reynolds 1C 2C 1D

"I've never played IM Frisbee, but it was fun and easy to learn. Plus, it was cool to score the game winning point in the championship." - Flora Vo, center, with Wendell Wilson and Matt Ball

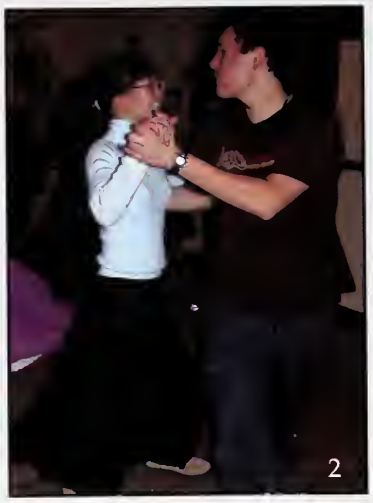
"IM soccer was one of my favorite hall activities. We really worked as a team and had a great time."
- Lilly Cooke

Busting a Move...

"Why do I love to contra dance? Because it's an awesome use of time and space! It is physical, musical, intellectual, visually attractive, social, and dare I say, spiritually uplifting." - Ms. Peggy Craft

"Sadie Hawkins dance + gangsta rap = me having a good time. YEAH! OK!" - Nirav Lakhani, left, with May Liu

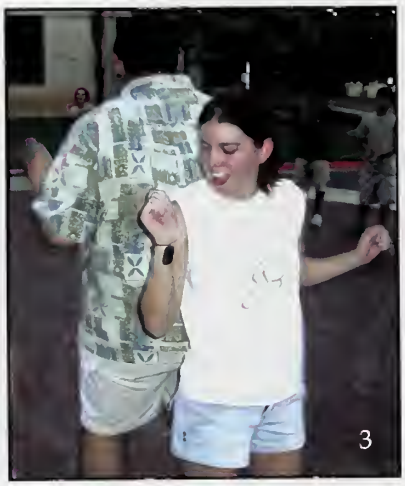
"Oh, swing dancing? I tried to just watch for a few minutes, but they wouldn't let me - I was dragged into trying it!" - Mr. Philip Rash, right, with Kellie Crook

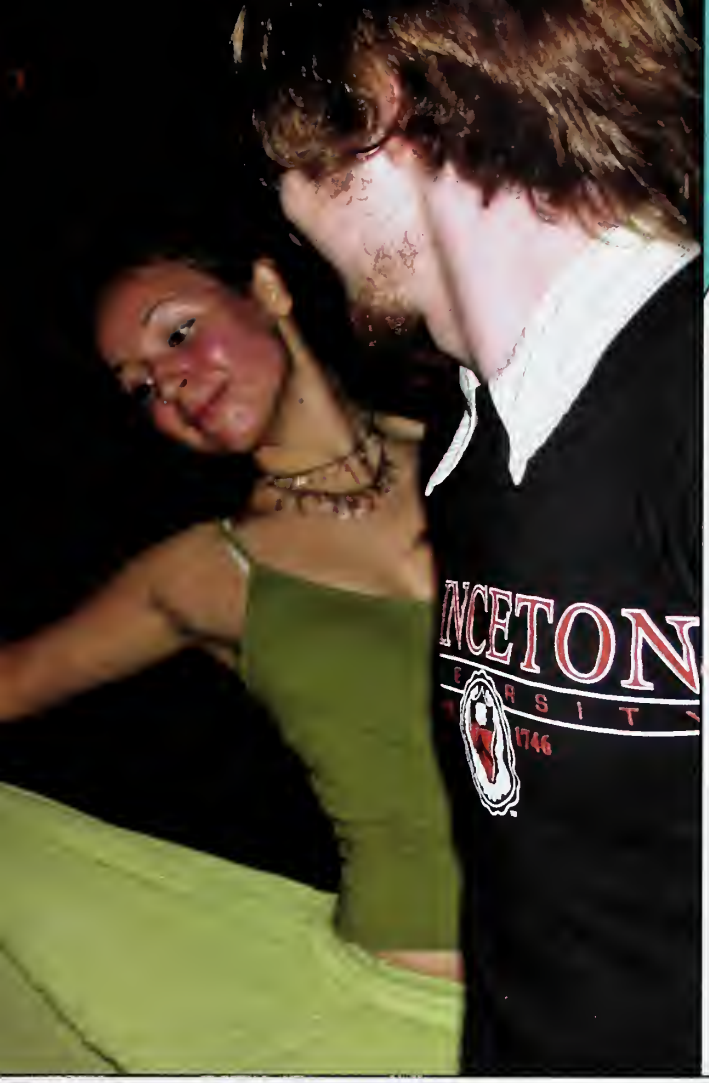


1. Contra dancing with grand senior Melanie Pringle, James Winder watched her twirl. "It's like being thrown into a crowded party, only the pesky small talk is replaced with smiles and twirls," James said.

2. Matthew Long and Connie Chu contra danced together. "It only takes a few minutes to learn a dance, but actually dancing it correctly is sometimes quite difficult," Matthew said.

3. As an ice-breaker, Lyndsey Steffensen and Richard Pridgen did the pony dance the first week of school. Lyndsey said, "It just brings everyone together and erases the awkwardness associated with first introductions."





Dance Your Azul Off

NCSSM is often said to be a moving experience, and it was literally true when it came to dancing. Whether it was a student-led event like a DYAO party, a mixer, a getting to know you activity or more structured like contra dancing, the opportunities abounded for students to express their kinesthetic side. Many students learned enthusiasm for contra dancing, encouraged by the passion (and minibus driving!) of Ms. Craft. "You get the chance to hang out with your friends and the wonderful Ms. Craft, and even someone as uncoordinated as I am can manage to pick up the steps," said Connie Chu. Other students taught each other, such as Richard Pridgen, who, often showed others how to swing dance. Some moved their bodies as a group with the Step Club and Dance Team.

For some students, dance was more than just simple movement, but a representation of spirituality. Arti Ajmani saw dance "as a way to share a portion of [her] culture with the community." For Melissa Bragg, Cadence of Praise allowed her to combine her religious faith and dance: "I like the blend of gospel and contemporary Christian music."

The motivations differed, but in the end, the music moved them all.

4. Shaking her groove thing, Laurelle Gonzalez (in brown) said: "DYAO is the best time to dance like no one is watching, without anyone looking at you like you're crazy. Plus, glow sticks, cake, and techno music are great!"

5. Chrissy Jusino (in red) practices with the Dance Team. "I dance to be free from school work and stress," she said. "It's a way for me to express who I am and, for that moment, be extremely happy."

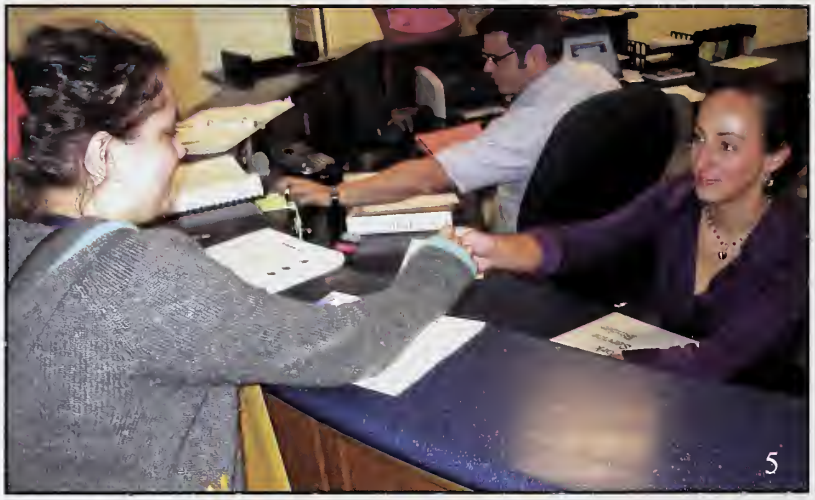
6. Performing for Divali, Arti Ajmani dazzled the crowd with authentic Indian dancing. "I started dancing as a way to share my culture with those around me," Arti said. "Someone once told me that life is not about waiting for the storm to pass, but learning how to dance in the rain."

Saving Time to Socialize

Carving time out of schedules for friends was an art. The balance between socializing and studying was difficult to find. Nevertheless, students found time to be with their friends. As a last sanctuary during the thirty minutes before the 10:30 curfew, you could find most of the campus on the Chiba, enjoying the great outdoors and having a blast. It was a great stress reliever and break in between homework and housekeeping. Hence, the name "happy half" was dubbed.

Every weekend, at least one IVIZ (intervisitation) or invite was going on. IVIZ was where a hall was open for everyone on campus to come in and relax after a stressful week. Some halls held mixers and competed for who could hold the best parties. For invites, students could invite a person to stay on hall after the IVIZ was over, usually from 12:00-2:00 a.m.

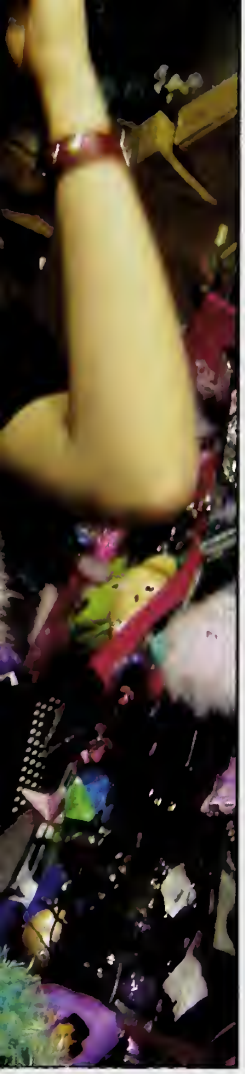
Tuesday through Saturday students could ride on one of the loops to get away from campus and remind themselves there was life outside of the bubble. Whether going out for groceries or the luxuries of the malls and movie theaters, there was always somewhere to go on a loop.



4. Dressing with style, Vann Newkirk attended 1st Royall's "Next Top Model" IVIZ. "I was really going for a snobby obnoxious Hollywood type," he said. "I really enjoyed the IVIZ, because it was a great chance to really act differently and go crazy."

5. Missing the usual rush for loop tickets, Anna Engelke received hers from Rachel Revelle. "Loops are just another excuse for an NCSSM student to loudly proclaim that they ride the short bus," Anna said.

6. Max Beckman-Harned, Charles Gilbert, Bob Liles, Christine Nguyen, Rachel Puckett, Mary Kohlmann, Lindsay Alexander, and Ryan Kilby hung out at the 2nd Beall IVIZ. "That room was the 8th circle of Hell - gotta love Inferno IVIZzes," Mary said.



1. Taking advantage of a weekend loop, Jennifer Henkel, Amanda Berry, and Courtney Angers tried on hats at Claire's. "Winding down at Southpoint brings out the princess in all of us," said Jennifer.

2. At Francesca's with Wendell Wilson, Alex Cole-Weiss sampled the gelato. "Getting off campus is absolutely necessary to maintain sanity at S&M," Alex said. "Besides, who could pass up vegan Mexican chocolate gelato?"

3. Making their appearance at happy half, Michael Pham and Hongsun Kim got in their last 30 minutes of socializing before check. "There's no better time to chill with your friends - it has to be happy half," Michael said.

Friends Like These...

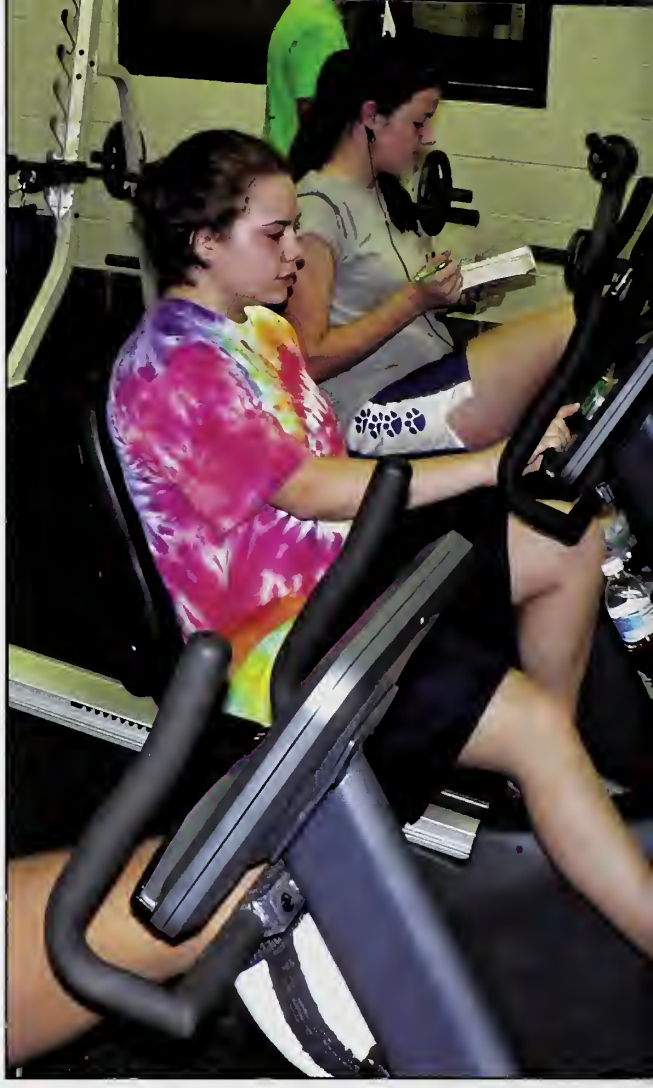
"I like 9th Street because I can get good food cheap. And it's always fun to walk with friends when there's good weather." - Stevie Hamby, right, with Julia Lockamy and Aditi Parmar

"At happy half, everyone just needs to take a break from doing all their homework. It's also a great way to make new friends because you know a lot of people are going to be outside." - Priya Sheth, right, with Will Shipman

"Ah, late night Honey's invites with Sue Anne. There's nothing like ice cream and brownies, blueberry pancakes, and hand-crafted six-foot straws after 10:30." - Len Boyette, left, with Jessica Hewett

Huffin' & Puffin'

It had been said that the key to NCSSM was figuring out how to balance the need for sleeping, studying and socializing - but a fourth S, sweating, was becoming just as important. Encouraged by the support of Dr. Joan Barber, students, faculty, and staff could pursue their own wellness in the PEC's fitness center, on the IM fields, in the gym, on the new tennis courts, or even around town. The benefits weren't just physical. Jaime McCandless noted, "I work out because I think it is important to stay physically healthy if I want to do well in other aspects of my life. Exercising actually helps me do my homework more efficiently and improves my ability to concentrate." SLI Jennifer Ashe said running gave her "time to think and solve the world's problems." Unconventional ways to exercise were also practiced. One group of students began doing Tai Chi to move their minds and their bodies. Brian Evans found it "relaxing - it helps me find my (cliched but very real) center." Others participated by sword fighting. Club co-president Ellie Norton said "it really is a good workout to run around hitting people with sticks - it works muscles you don't use very often." No matter what option students chose, getting that heart rate up and that mental stimulation going was the key.



4. Looking for an open teammate, Calley Jones played an integral part of the NCSSM ultimate Frisbee team. "It's an amazingly fun sport and I've had a great time learning about it, meeting tons of new people, and winning some games," Calley said.

5. Natalie Singleton, Valyce Davis, Mesha Batts, Torri Staton, Selena Boston, and Melissa Bragg took a break from a Cadence of Praise practice. "Cadence of Praise is a great chance to express ourselves through dancing for God," Mesha said.

6. Participating in Tai Chi, Brian Evans, Julian Arrington, and Thomas Manning practiced their moves on the Chiba lawn. As Thomas said, "Tai Chi: it's all in the hips."

1. Taking some time to visit the PEC, Casey Buchanan and Tiffany McCrary tested their endurance on the bikes. "I work out to relieve stress," Tiffany said. "After a hard day, a couple miles on the bike or treadmill, and the feeling afterwards really helps calm me down, as well as give me time to refocus."

2. Aiming for the flying ball, junior Clay Nance took advantage of the new tennis courts. "They are a great addition to the NCSSM campus because they give students another fun activity to participate in," Clay said.

3. Sword fighting, Josh Watkins and Sara Seffels stood their ground.

Working Out...

"It's not a diet, it's the NCSSM Lifestyle. Get your exercise and help Katrina victims at the same time." – Dr. Barber, right, with Ken Steen, describing the Angels of Auxilium fund raiser.

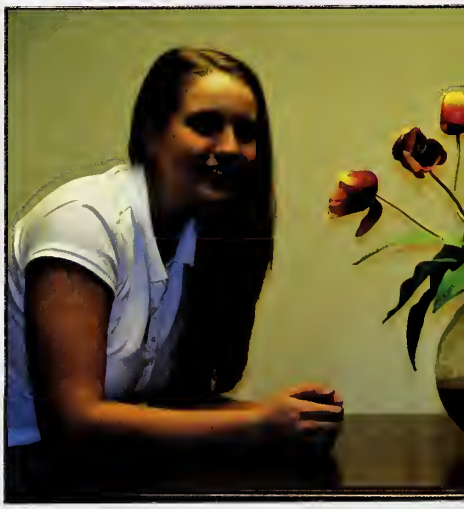
"Biking is a great way to get to the Scrap Exchange, Home Depot, or restaurants, where you don't have to watch what you eat because you'll get fit on the way home!" - Trevor Shannon, center, with Benji Reinhardt and Brian Hulette

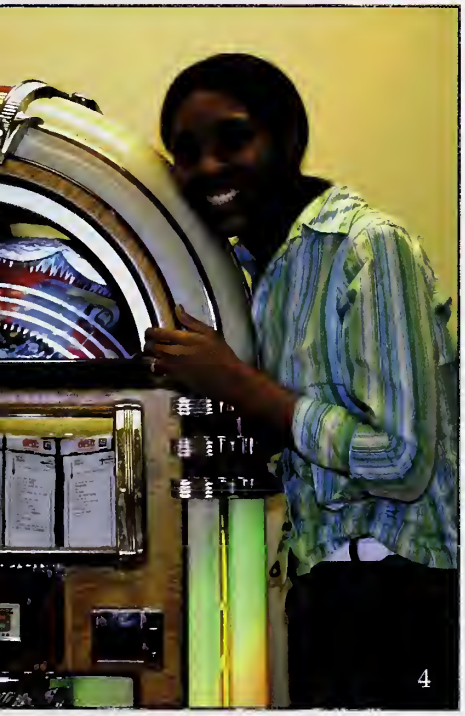
"I enjoy working out, because I can focus my attention on something other than school work, and because it is a healthy form of procrastination." - Jamie Winslow

What's in a name?

NCSSM is a place where you come to forge your own identity - but what happens when someone else has a similar identity? E-mails get sent to the wrong person, teachers call you by the wrong name, and your RLA expects you to do housekeeping - but you have a free week! Take a look at these pairs - can you tell who's who?

1. "Michael D. Jones and I have similar names (in case you didn't know). It doesn't get much closer than that." - Michael B. Jones, right, with Michael D. Jones
2. "I share the name Alex Hill with someone else at this school. I get e-mails meant for her all the time, but I managed to get the original e-mail address - YES!" - Alex Hill (male), left, with Alex Hill (female)
3. "SLIs, our hall mates, and, for some reason, a lot of 2nd Hill boys, think we are very similar. We find this confusion rather comical and tend to dress alike just for kicks. At the end of the day we compare mix-ups." - Rebekah Ayscue, right, with Elly Steel





4. "At the beginning of the year, everyone thought I looked like Jessica Scroggins! At a glance, even seniors get us mixed up sometimes." - Kimberly Applewhite, left, with Jessica Scroggins
5. "Kate Icard and I were confused for at least the first month at school. For the first couple of days, people would say to me, 'Oh you're the girl that looks like Kate.' She got the same thing." - Amy Bryson, left, with Kaitlin Icard
6. "Quint Reid and I get mixed up walking down the hall in Hunt, and most often on the basketball court." - Tyler Ross, left, with Quint Reid
7. "I get confused with Jin Kim all the time. We're from the same hometown, and we live on the same hall. I always get her e-mails and once someone at school thought we were twins, but we don't really look THAT much alike." - Jina Kim, left, with Jin Kim

Seeing Double...

"It's amusing when someone asks if I have a twin, and when I say yes, they say, 'That makes so much more sense! I saw your twin on the other side of the school just now, and I thought, wow, that girl gets around.'"
- Alison Seffels, right, with Sara Seffels

"Of course, my sister Rachel and I are always mixed up - but that's nothing out of the ordinary." - Jenna Puckett, right, with Rachel Puckett

"A lot of the time I am mistaken for Sam AbuMoussa."
- Mark AbuMoussa, left, with Sam AbuMoussa

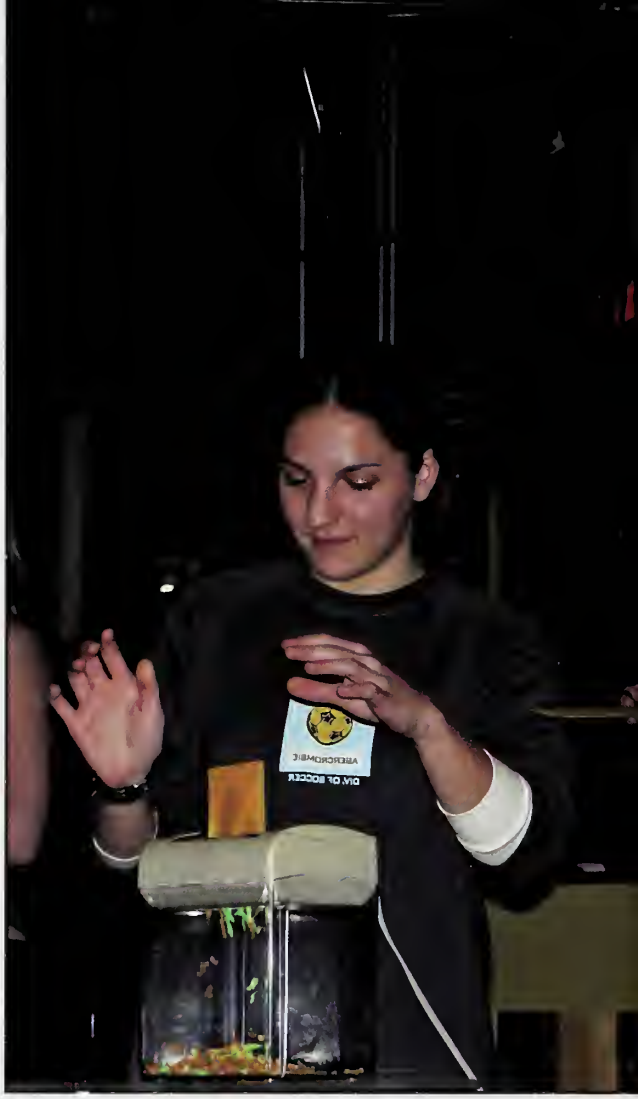
Be there or be to the power of 2

Campus frequently exploded with planned events. Everyday At a Glance kept a schedule of what was happening and where. Colloquia, club activities, Student Activities Board events, hall activities, and organizations everywhere kept students active and entertained.

The 72 student-run clubs planned events for members, and often invited the entire school to participate. There was a club fair at the start of the year that exposed students to clubs ranging from the Cheese Club to MAFIA to Imago Dei. During the club fair, each club set out tables explaining the club and collected e-mails for distribution lists.

Other on campus events were sponsored by SAB, with movies, contests, and other events almost every weekend. SAB sponsored the Roommate Game, a competition to see which pair of roommates knew each other best. There was also Family Feud, where brother/sister hall teams competed against each other. NCSSM Jeopardy! asked students to dress up and then answer trivia questions. "The costumes were great and it was fun to see people make fools of themselves," said Abby Furr.

No matter who they were, or what they were interested in, there was always something on campus for everyone to do.



4. As a stress reliever for exams, the Society for the Easily Amused held a sidewalk drawing activity. Brandon Byers said, "I wasn't particularly impressed with my exams that week. Writing 'w00t' relaxed me after leaving Stats."

5. Alumna Rhiannon Giddens, Class of '95 (middle), came with her band, The Carolina Chocolate Drops, to perform. She also called the on-campus contra dance and sang at the Fine Arts Festival.

6. Just having won the Roommate Game, Jiemin Zeng and Sara Wise celebrated. "We roomed together for two years, and we know EVERYTHING about each other. We really wanted to win, and we did!" Sara said.

1. Illusionist Nick Comis, with Katy Millay, worked his magic at a show in February. "Right after he asked me to shred my twenty, I thought, 'This guy can't be serious,'" said Katy. "I was definitely relieved to see it again, even if it came out of an orange."

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2. At the Holiday Dinner, Ms. Maria Hernandez and Ms. Vicky Tripp were among those from the math department to sing "Mathematical Wonderland." "Reindeer like to have fun with math, too," said Ms. Tripp.

3. This traditionally dressed dancer was one of many at the 15th annual NCSSM Powwow, sponsored by Joe Liles and Akwe:kon, that brought Native Americans from all over the country.

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Times to Remember..

"Poetry is a way for me to let people look through my eyes and a way for me to conquer my own problems, while helping others get through theirs." - Victoria Massie, reciting a poem at LYTE's Poetry Jam

"I love working at the booth during the Club Fair. It's like our time to show and tell ' Show everyone what ACC is about and tell them about all the events we host " - May Liu, with Victoria Park

"Luke and I decided we d go with 'Ain't no lovin' like country lovin.'" - John Outten, with Lucas Lankford, performing at a karaoke contest

RLA

First Row: Julia Lockamy, Elizabeth Garrard, Peggy McKay, Margaret Yim, Genevieve Pike, Elizabeth Liles ***Second Row:*** Melina Rodriguez, Sophia Sullivan, Dani Brewington, Jessica Hanson, Melissa Bragg, Molly Jones, Cortney Dahlgren, CJ Domingo, Stevie Hamby, Julia Alspaugh, Susan Jaconis, Aisha Amuda, Amee Patel, Sneha Yerra, Quanetta Brown ***Third Row:*** Jenna Hardison, Brandon Byers, Jake Reardon, Lucas Lankford, Andrew Johnson, David Rhoden, Eric Jorgensen, Michael Schoenfeld, Calvin Young, Daniel Jang, Theresa Crowgey, Elizabeth Anderson, Stephanie Kiser, Veena Rajan ***Top Row:*** Frank Liao, Michael Lavarnway, Wesley Johnson, Dan Swaim, Kam Rokon, Patrick Proctor, Alex Hardee, Dylan Selinger, Marc Tortorice, Nathan Cox, Aaron Schmidt, Ivey Redding, Stephane Henrion, Kal Bugica ***Fifth Row:*** Sue Anne Lewis, Marion Meadows

"Hall community is just the culmination of all the little things that we do - giving encouraging words to individuals, fostering a community, making this their home away from home: their sanctuary." - Margaret Yim, left, with Elizabeth Liles and Peggy McKay

"Being an RLA means being a friend to those in need, those not in need, and everyone in between. Just being there and showing someone you care about them can make their day."
- Jake Reardon, with Thomas Manning

Student Ambassador

First Row: Liz White, Laurelle Gonzalez, Bianca Nguyen, Molly Cline, Courtney Brown, Amanda Purser, Emma Htun ***Second Row:*** Elsa Mata, Jessica Lynch, Shria Kumar, Jina Kim, Holly Turner, Jenn Batchelor, Rachel Shauger, Alison Seffels ***Third Row:*** Matthew Long, Steve Brown, Victor Lieu (Not pictured: Sarah Hoyt, Amanda Eure)

"I wanted to be a Student Ambassador because I remember how scared I was when I was first applying, and I wanted to be able to help people with the whole experience. Also, I'm considering a career in sheep herding and Discovery Days are great practice." - Holly Turner

"My favorite thing about being a Student Ambassador was being able to excite prospective students about taking part in the NCSSM experience. There's little that I've done at this school which I regret, and it's rewarding to know that I can help bring someone else the same opportunity I had." - Steve Brown

SGA

Front Row: Haolan Cai, Treasurer; Han Zhang, Parliamentarian; Sam AbuMoussa, Secretary; Thomas Christy, President; Victoria Park, Vice President ***Middle Row:*** Nancy Warren, Michael B. Jones, Catherine Raymer, Andy Marks, Joseph Mann, Sunny Lin, Thomas Price, Priya Desai ***Back Row:*** Katherine Demby, Ellie Norton, Whitney Baker, David Ye, Taylor Duganne, Morgan Kearse, Lucy Zhang, Michael Pham, John Lashlee, Nirav Lakhani, Quinn Morris, Whitney Chrisco, Rebecca Lee, Chris Cotter, Giffin Daughtridge (Not pictured: Keith A. Simpson)

"SGA was able to function effectively this year by using committees to address student concerns and fulfill our responsibilities, which left more time to help with student activities and improve communication between SGA and the entire NCSSM community." - Thomas Christy

Posing with the coveted stuffed unicorn, Calvin Young basked in the glory as the winner of Mr. Unicorn, sponsored by SGA.

MPC

Front Row: Alex Cole-Weiss, Katie Tygielski, Maris Mann-Stadt, Mary Eannarino, Sterling Fitzgerald, Mesha Batts, Teryn Norris-Hale ***Back Row:*** James Winder, Bryn McDonald, Eva Panjwani, Carlos Fuentes, Doc Dougherty

"I wanted to do something for the community, make my mark, help others. I think our program is important to the community. Tolerance is not just taught; it must be continuously reinforced. I'm very happy I was able to spend my senior year as a MPC."
- Eva Panjwani

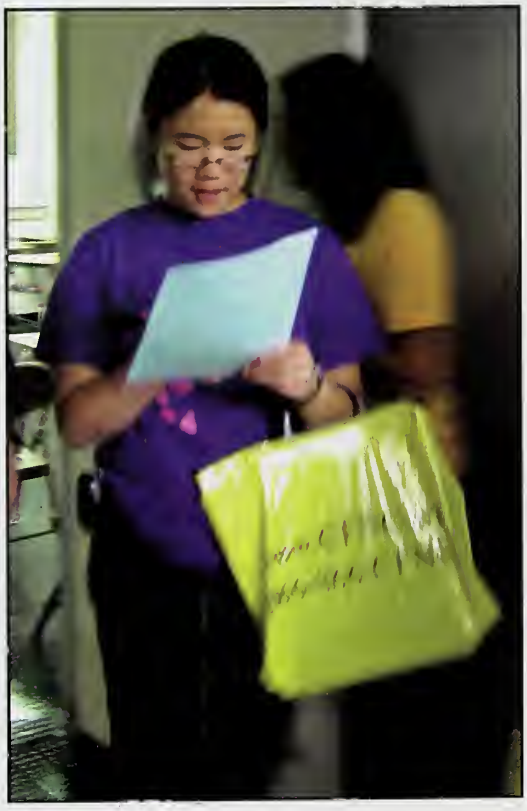
"The Cultural Gingerbread house-building competition was, for the second year in a row, one of the most successful MPC events. As everyone scrambled to add the last pieces of candy to their cultural creations, we were able to see an amazing variety of houses as well as have a great time!"
- Maris Mann-Stadt, serving May Liu

PCC

Emme Johnston, Kevin Chen, May Liu, Len Boyette, Courtney Fox, Patrick McKinnon, Caroline Morton, Ramsey Cardwell, Geri Butner, Erica Perry, Suman Medda, Kendra Manhertz, Connie Chu, Heather Ferguson, Ann Mast, Chris Leyton, Nisel Desai

"I never quite understood why there was no 'I' in team until I became a PCC." - Kevin Chen, center, with Mrs. Joyce Rodman and Suman Medda.

College Eve was a night where colleges from all over the country came to recruit Science and Math students, like Jiemin Zeng. This event was sponsored by the PCCs.



Attaché

Front Row: Aditi Parmar, Katie Wallace, Sharlie Latiolais
Back Row: Adam Hinnant, Katie Cheng, Chelsea Nielsen, Douglas Massengill

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Lyndsey Steffensen, Carolina Fryar, Bonnie Bommelje, Calley Jones, Sara Rowell

1. Running toward the ball, Mark Owolabi was on the offensive. "My favorite feeling on the field is embarrasing the opposition with a slick move or trick," Mark said.

2. With the help of Coach Aryano Bush, Daryl Clausen and Caroline Kennedy strenuously practiced to improve their endurance.

3. While waiting for the results of his event, swimmer James Howard laughed with his teammates.

4. Dribbling the ball, Catherine Raymer promoted one of the students' favorite pasttimes: Friday night basketball in the PEC.

Students took action by participating in sports. Most athletes agreed that the biggest struggle was finding a balance between playing sports and studying for school. "Playing a sport at NCSSM is challenging, especially learning time management skills," said Mike Jones. "It was tough learning how to manage my time between practices, homework, and club meetings, but it was definitely worth it," Elizabeth Anderson said. However, the benefits of physical activity made playing a sport well worth the time commitment. Playing a sport helped relieve stress and reveal athelets' true abilities. "I think that playing basketball and running cross country completely changed my NCSSM experience. It helped me push myself to new levels and relieve some of the stress of school at the same time," Quint Reid said. "Cheerleading was my escape from all the stress of senior year - it kept me sane!" said Whitney Chrisco. Most importantly, action by means of sports formed lasting friendships. Volleyball players Amy Bryson and Molly Cline agreed that making friends was the most rewarding part of the athletic experience. "I absolutely loved our volleyball team. We have so many great memories; we all bonded really well," said Amy. Molly added, "I was able to bond with an incredible group of girls that I may never have gotten to know otherwise. I think we all made some amazing friends, and that's what counts when it's all over."

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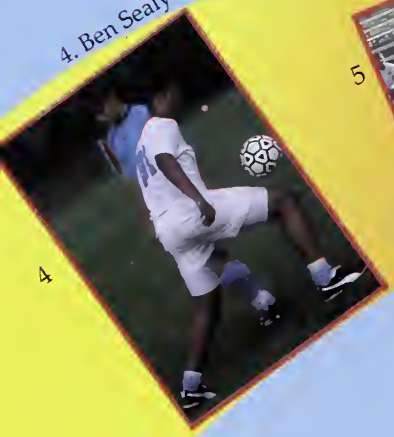
Sports

1. Scott Warren

2. Keith Grose

3. Coach Gallagher



4. Ben Sealy

5. Max Rose

6. Mark Owolabi

Fiercely attempting to take the ball away, senior Donovan Patterson helped the Unis to a win over Durham Academy. Donovan said, "We worked as hard as we could, whenever we could, and it obviously paid off."

Score Board

Opponent	Win	Loss
Carolina Friends	X	
Cresset Christian	X	
DSA		X
Ravenscroft	-	-
Durham Academy		X
DSA	X	
Cary Academy		X
N. Raleigh Christian		X
Durham Academy	X	
Ravenscroft		X
Cresset Christian	X	
Cary Academy		X
N. Raleigh Christian		X

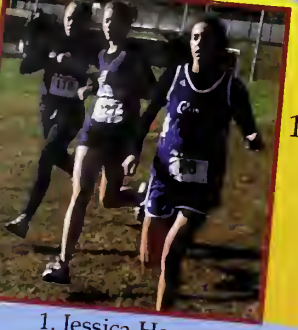
The stands erupted as yet another goal was stopped by senior Martin Locklear. Junior Adam Askren recognized the skill of the goalies as well as all members of the team. "We were strong in all areas of the game," Adam said.

Men's Soccer

Packed stands. Fans covering every inch of the sidelines. Students chanting and cheering. Energy exploded as our soccer team finished yet another win. With 7 wins, 8 losses, and 1 tie, the team greatly improved their overall record from last year, a distinction senior stopper Joseph Mann recognized as "wicked." Senior Donovan Patterson said, "With our new coach and strong teamwork, we were able to improve our playing greatly. This allowed us to convert many of the close losses we had last year into wins this year." The team worked extremely hard all season to bring home an impressive record. Junior sweeper Adam Askren named some key players. "We had a great offensive momentum from Keith Grose and Mark Owolabi, strong midfield positioning from Steven Schlaefer and Matt Ball, as well as a good defensive stance with Joseph Mann playing stopper, Scott Bowen in goal, and myself playing sweeper." With a great, energy-packed season behind them, the team was confident that their "wicked" winning streak would continue!

Junior Mark Owolabi and senior Sterling Fitzgerald were easily taking on the opposing Durham Academy player. Mark Owolabi is confident that the hard work and skill will continue into next season. "I speak for all the juniors when I say that we're really going to be a powerhouse in the conference next year. We should really rip those smaller schools to pieces!"

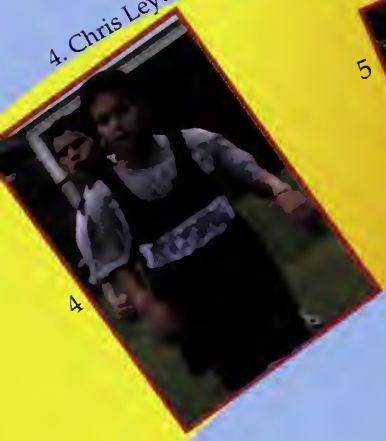
First Row: Jonathan Frederick, Mark Owolabi, Mohammed Khan, Joseph Mann, Keith Grose, Michael Tipton
Second Row: Adam Askren, Max Rose, Scott Warren, Steven Schlaefer, Matt Ball, Bryan Creviston, Donovan Patterson
Third Row: Carter Crowl, Eric Jorgensen, Scott Bowen, Martin Locklear, Sterling Fitzgerald, Ben Sealy, Coach Henry Gallagher



1. Jessica Hanson, Caroline Kennedy

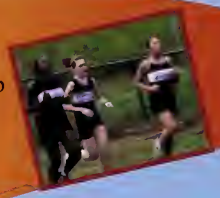
2. Amanda Sadler, Ashley Trudeau, Jessica Hanson, Cynthia Harbison, Caroline Kennedy, Hannah Martin

3. Daniel Hart, John Powell, Ben Bogardus, Kyle Wolpert, Lucas Lankford, Robert Yarbrough, Philip Curley



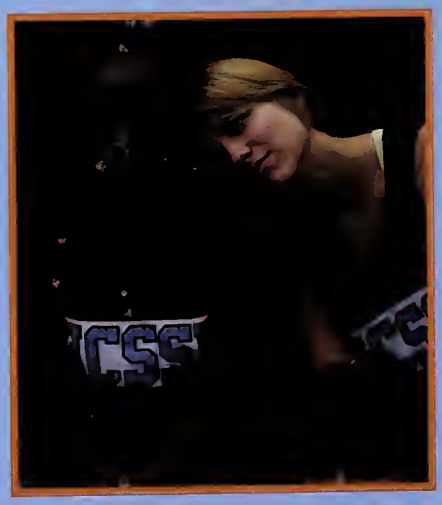
4. Chris Leyton

5. John Powell, Ben Bogardus, Kyle Wolpert



6. Aisha Amuda, Theresa Crowgey, Tara Gill

Top: Striving to outrun the competition, Quint Reid and Justin Boucher ran a strong race. "Had it not been for cross country, I don't think that my time here would have been as enjoyable," said Quint.
Left: Preparing for another win, the NCSSM harriers got a head start on the competition from the beginning.
Right: While setting up to take the team picture, the photographer captured Cynthia Harbison resting her head on Aisha Amuda's shoulder. This simple act illustrated the close bond shared by all members of the team.



Cross Country

"FEEL DA PAIN." As sweat dripped down their faces and dehydration reared its ugly head, the runners endured and raced to the end. With the finish line miles ahead, the encouragement from teammates and coaches kept their minds focused on the win. Muscles aching, hearts pounding, and minds racing with one thought, "Feel da pain." This all-telling mantra of the NCSSM cross country team conveyed the hard work put in by all of the harriers. The girls accomplished an impressive regular season record of 5-0 while earning 2nd in the conference and 4th in the state. Junior Hannah Martin was honored as All-Conference and All-State. The boys also completed a remarkable season. They celebrated a regular season record of 2-1 and 2nd in both the conference and state meets. The boys' team also won the Riverside CC Invitation. Lucas Lankford earned All-Conference, and Kyle Wolpert, Phillip Curley, and Robert Yarbrough all earned both All-Conference and All-State recognition.

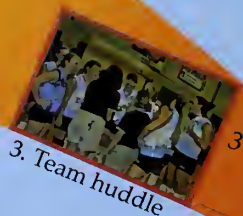
The most remarkable aspect of the Uni harriers was their unity and encouragement of each other. Junior Daryl Clausen recounted, "When I was too injured to go to the state meet, my team pitched in and bought me a shirt because, they said, 'You deserved to be there.'" The close companionship of the team members helped make "feeling da pain" more endurable. It was through the building of these relationships and steadfast perseverance that the cross country team was able to achieve such greatness.

Celebrating their second place finish at states, John Powell, Philip Curley, Lucas Lankford, and Kyle Wolpert held the trophy high above their heads. "We had a strong season. We came in second at states and had the most people out of all the teams in the top 10," Kyle said.

Front Row: Chris Leyton, Justin Boucher, Steven Lin, Michael Pham, Suman Medda, John Powell, Paul Little, John Lee, Dorian Britt ***Middle Row:*** Ashley Trudeau, Caroline Kennedy, Jessica Hanson, Hannah Martin, Amanda Sadler, Aisha Amuda, Cynthia Harbison, Theresa Crowgey, Katie Cheng, Tara Gill, Daryl Clausen ***Back Row:*** Assistant Coach Aryano Bush, Robert Yarbrough, Daniel Hart, Craig Shaver, Ben Bogardus, Joseph Lozier, Kyle Wolpert, Quint Reid, Jacob Ulirsch, Philip Curley, Lucas Lankford (Not pictured: Kate Carter, Clay Dunwell, Young Lee, JP Sypniewski, Katie Wallace, Chip Williams, Coach Richard McDonald)

1. Rachel Revelle, Amy Bryson

2. Molly Cline



3. Team huddle

4. Amy Bryson

5. Chelsea Nielsen

6. Playing leapfrog

Fellow teammates Kaitlin Icard, Ishita Gandhi, and Rose Guo are congratulating Amy Bryson after a killer spike. Such offensive moves led the volleyball team to a successful season.

After several well-played rotations, junior spiker Kaitlin Icard joined her teammates Caitlin Frese, Hailey Loftis, and Chelsea Nielsen on the sidelines to cheer the rest of the team on.

Score Board

Opponent	Win	Loss
Carolina Friends	X	
DSA	X	
Ravenscroft		X
St. Mary's		X
Cary Academy		X
N. Raleigh Christian		X
Durham Academy	X	
Ravenscroft	X	
Cresset Christian		X
Durham Academy		X
St. Mary's	X	
Cary Academy		X
N. Raleigh Christian		X

VOLLEYBALL

Anticipating the killer spike, the opposing team tried to ready themselves as Caitlin Frese set the ball to Rachel Revelle, and Chelsea Nielsen looked on.

Leapfrogging! Spandex! Cry babies! Krispy Kreme! This was the recipe for a great season. The volleyball team celebrated their best season in over 5 years. For the first time in several years, they won their first round conference playoff game. Team members Amy Bryson and Rachel Revelle were recognized as All-Conference Honorable Mention. The team worked hard all season and proved to be contenders in every match. Molly Cline remarked, "The most fun game was the one against St. Mary's at home on Senior Night. It was a very close match and a huge win for us. The chemistry that night was incredible." Team chemistry was the key both on and off the court. Junior Rose Guo said of the team, "Even though we were all from different parts of the state, with different backgrounds and ways of playing, we really came together as a team." The great season did not happen without hard work. Junior Amy Bryson described the intense training. "SAL brought huge blockers from Meredith College that forced us to hit around the block or get a ball back in our faces. Coach M brought sheets to hang along the net to block off our vision and make us play on our toes."

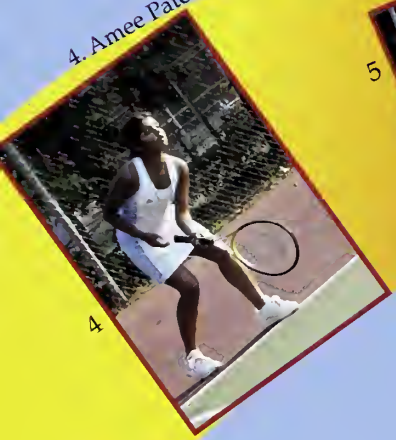
The volleyball team made the most of their time together and became close friends as well as teammates. Hailey Loftis joked that, "any varsity team that plays Red Rover to warm up for a playoff game is well worth their spandex."

Front Row: Molly Cline, Ishita Gandhi, Caitlin Frese ***Middle Row:*** Amy Bryson, Chelsea Nielsen, Hailey Loftis, Rose Guo ***Back Row:*** Coach Davene Mainwaring, Rachel Revelle, Lisa Pepin, Kaitlin Icard, Assistant Coach Sue Anne Lewis (Not pictured: managers Heather Ferguson and Jina Kim)

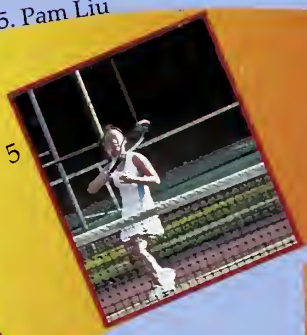
1. The team waiting for the bus

2. Christine Nguyen

3. Susannah Small



4. Amee Patel



5. Pam Liu

6. Heather Faircloth

With intensity, Susannah Small prepared to returned the ball and gained the point over her opponent.

Tossing the ball into the air, Heather Faircloth fiercely served the ball to her opponent.

Score Board

Opponent	Win	Loss
Cresset Christian	X	
Chapel Hill		X
Ravenscroft		X
Cary Academy		X
N. Raleigh Christian		X
Durham Academy		X
Ravenscroft		X
St. Mary's		X
Cary Academy		X
N. Raleigh Christian		X
St. Mary's		X

Women's Tennis

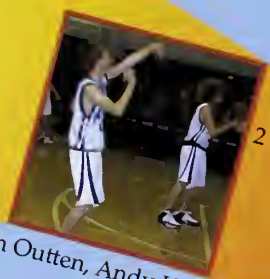
Doubles partners Pam Liu and Lalitha Kunduru readied themselves for the return.

The girl's tennis season could best be characterized as a time of bonding and hard work. With only nine members of the team, each girl got to know her teammates extremely well, and each had to pull her own weight in every match. Some of the girls were beginners in the sport, so it was a learning year as well. Junior Pam Liu had never played tennis before this year, and she described the experience as "awesome - we focused more on the spirit of the game rather than about our winning record, and that's what made it fun." Many of the other tennis players felt the same way about the season. Junior Lalitha Kunduru added that "although tennis was a lot of hard work, the fun and satisfaction that came out of playing on the team cannot compare." The team definitely put in their share of hard work. Every practice, the girls would run the lines of the tennis courts, hit balls back to Coach McClenny, complete other drills, and finally, yes, more running.

Tennis was a very time-consuming sport. Most practices lasted from 4 until 7. The team would also be gone as long as six hours for matches. Despite the major time commitment, the girls enjoyed their time together, and they even planned trips and activities outside of the games and practices. Christine Nguyen remembered that "the best times were when we went out to eat or when we went to the state fair. Our coach pushed us really hard, but he was really cool about taking us out to eat and just have fun." It was times like these that forged the friendships and a memorable season.

Front Row: Amee Patel, Wendy Hua, Pam Liu, Christine Nguyen, Liz White
Back Row: Coach Richard McClenny, Lalitha Kunduru, Heather Faircloth, Molly Jones, Susannah Small

1. Tate Rogers



2. John Outten, Andy Hewitt

3. Tyler Ross

4. Darryl Hart

5. Xavier Blount

6. John Outten

Score Board

Opponent	Win	Loss
Cresset Christian		X
Raleigh Charter		X
Rivermill Charter	X	
Durham Academy		X
Emerson Waldorf	X	
Cape Fear Christian	X	
Cary Academy		X
DSA		X
Durham Academy		X
Cape Fear Christian	X	
Emerson Waldorf	X	
St. David's		X
Ravenscroft		X
Raleigh Hawks		X
N. Raleigh Christian		X
Ravenscroft		X
N. Raleigh Christian		X
Rivermill Charter	X	
Cary Academy	X	
Cresset Christian		X

With extreme determination, senior Lindsey Erps sank his free-throw shots, contributing to the win over Rivermill Charter late in the season.

Preparing to take on their opponents, Tyler Ross, Xavier Blount, and David Rhoden practiced their lay-ups as part of the pre-game warm-up.

Men's Basketball

Looking for an open teammate, junior Giffin Daughtridge pivoted while keeping an eye on Cape Fear's defense. About the season, Giffin said, "When it was time to get down to business, we did it."

"The guys are more than teammates to me, they're my brothers." A band of brothers. This was how junior Andrew Amolegbe remembered the team. Junior Wayne Kimball agreed, calling the team "a family." It was the time commitment and devoted effort put in by each member of the team that developed these relationships. According to senior Darryl Hart, "The team worked really hard this year. Everybody contributed something and pushed everyone to their limits during the practices." The team unification and hard work paid off. The team was the first basketball team in 7 years to win a conference playoff game. This was a fantastic accomplishment for such a young team with only four returning players. The team had to overcome many obstacles. Ryan Stairs remembered that the team "started out the season with fifteen players, and at the last game, there were only nine teammates suited up to play." Five of the members were out due to injuries. However, the team persevered in the face of their losses. "Despite the numerous injuries and obstacles, we became strong and pulled through it thanks to our awesome coaches, Brian Gonyeau and Anthony Myles," said Wayne Kimball. The coaches encouraged the players to give 100%. During practices, they offered incentives to the team members that worked the hardest. Senior Ryan Stairs judged the season as a success because "we did better than any other NCSSM basketball team in a long time."

First Row: Managers Micky Bullard and Mesha Batts, Darryl Hart, Tyrik Hicks, Lindsey Erps, Wayne Kimball, Emanuel Bryant, John Outten, managers Amee Patel and Priya Sheth
Back Row: Assistant Coach Anthony Myles, Tate Rogers, Giffin Daughtridge, Ryan Stairs, Xavier Blount, Tyler Ross, Michael B. Jones, Andrew Amolegbe, David Rhoden, Coach Brian Gonyeau
(Not pictured: Andy Hewitt)

1. Raven Jones

2. Blair Wright

3. Cayla Noble

4. Brittany Fotsch

5. Raven Jones

6. Lauren Iannotte

A flustered Cape Fear Academy player tried to get the ball in bounds, past the intense defense of Francis Ni. As Blair Wright said, "We worked hard and we were a team that was hard to beat."

A strategy was laid out by Coach Marion Meadows for the girls. Both Coach Meadows and Coach Sue Anne Lewis encouraged the girls to always do their best, and they helped them improve tremendously throughout the season.

Score Board

Opponent	Win	Loss
Cresset Christian		X
Raleigh Charter		X
Rivermill Charter		X
Durham Academy		X
Emerson Waldorf		X
Cape Fear Christian	X	
Cary Academy		X
DSA	X	
Durham Academy		X
Cape Fear Christian		X
St. Mary's		X
Emerson Waldorf	X	
St. David's		X
Ravenscroft	X	
St. Mary's		X
N. Raleigh Christian		X
Ravenscroft	X	
N. Raleigh Christian		X
Rivermill Charter		X
Cary Academy		X
Cresset Christian	X	

Women's Basketball

There was a fun-filled spirit in this year's team. Junior Lauren Iannotte remembered the "funny things that people did during practice, like tripping or drooling, made us all erupt into laughter." Lauren also described how the coaches added to the humorous atmosphere of the team. "When coach would shoot for drills during practice and he'd make a shot, he'd smirk and shake his head and butt. Well Raven picked up on this and she had an impression perfected to hilarity. I don't think coach knows about that one." All in all it was a season of dedication, teamwork, and not to mention some "super-soaka" fun. The girls were also serious about the game, and they put in a great deal of hard work during the season. Led by coaches Marion Meadows and Sue Anne Lewis and six seniors, the team greatly improved over the season. By the end, the girl's were playing like a close-knit, hard-working team. Junior Blair Wright asserts, "We clashed a lot at the beginning of the season, but towards the end we started realizing exactly what teamwork was." The power of this teamwork culminated in the final home game of the season. It was Senior Night, and the girls pulled out a close victory over Cresset Christian with a score of 47 to 43. It was a rewarding way to end their well-played season.

Swoosh! A free throw shot from junior Brittany Fotsch brought the team one point closer to winning. Every point counted in the win over Cape Fear Academy with a final score of 53 to 51.

Front Row: Tara Gill, Catherine Raymer, Brittney Peters-Barnes, Raven Jones, Lauren Iannotte, Margaret Yim
Back Row: Assistant Coach Sue Anne Lewis, manager Jon Mitchell, Francine Stefan, Cayla Noble, Brittany Fotsch, Hannah Wroblewski, Blair Wright, Frances Ni, manager Tavia Benjamin, Coach Marion Meadows (Not pictured: managers Michelle Liu & Jessica Scroggins)

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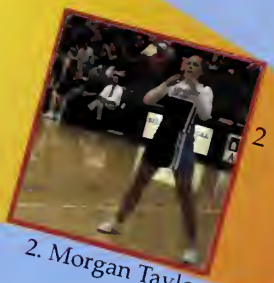
1. Stephanie Kiser, Elizabeth Anderson



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2. Morgan Taylor

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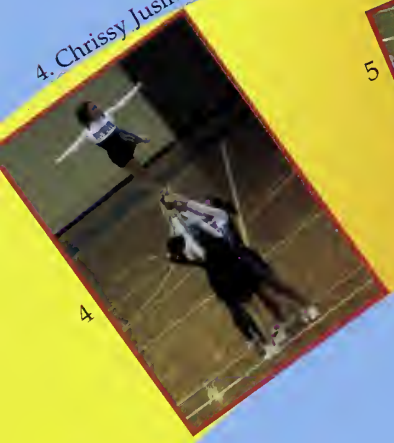
3. Stevie Hamby, Laura Temple, Quanetta Brown



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4. Chrissy Jusino

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5. Amanda Reno, Elly Steel

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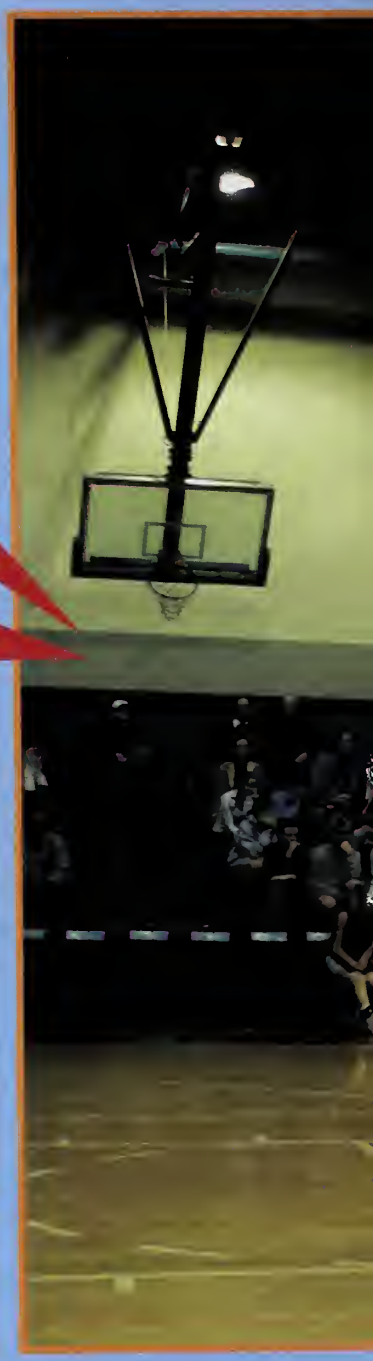
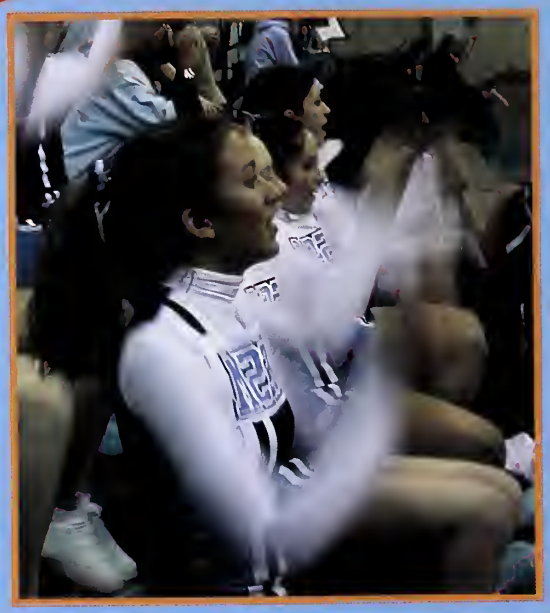
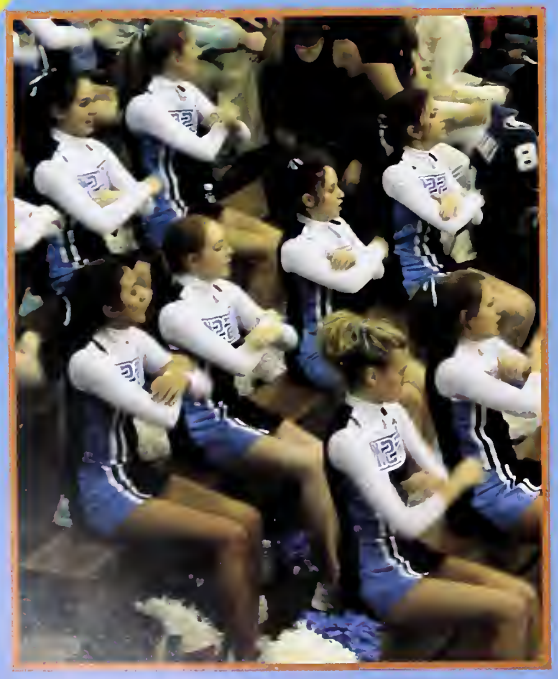
6. Stevie Hamby, Elly Steel, Whitney Chrisco, Laura Temple







Top: With great enthusiasm, junior Stephanie Laboy cheered the boy's basketball team on to victory.

Left: "UNI RUMBLE!" As the cheerleading team was finishing their famous rumble cheer, the fans began to participate as well.

Right: During a time out, the girls showcased their talent through stunts and dances while riling up the fans.

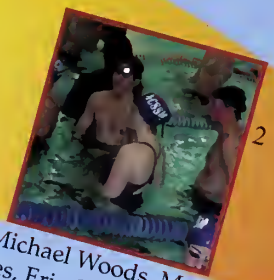
CHEERLEADING

Talent—the defining characteristic of the cheerleading squad. Senior Whitney Chrisco exclaims, "We really had A LOT of talent on the team this year!" Although some of the girls had never cheered before, many had participated in gymnastics or dancing. Therefore, each member of the squad, whether former cheerleaders or not, had something to offer. Everyone was a quick learner, which helped the squad learn the routines and cheers quickly and allow time to perfect them. Also, Coach Whitney Watts helped bring out the girls' potential. According to Whitney Chrisco, "she really was awesome and had a lot to offer…" The perfect combination of talent and great coaching made for an exciting season. The cheers were spirited, and the fans at games were always eager to participate. Not to mention, the girls enjoyed cheering and had a great time together. Elizabeth Anderson will never forget cheering on this squad. She said, "We had an amazing squad this year. They made my senior year of cheerleading a blast, and I love them all very much!" Both the talent and the friendship of the juniors and the seniors on the squad helped make this cheerleading season a season to remember.

"Our team worked really well together," said Whitney Chrisco. Supported by her teammates Stephanie Kiser, Nisel Desai, and Jenna Roney, flyer Whitney Chrisco inspired the crowd from a towering height.

First Row: Laura Temple, Meghan Dwyer, Ashley Vroom, Elly Steel, Stevie Hamby, Chrissy Jusino
Middle Row: Caroline Morton, Jenna Roney, Nisel Desai, Stephanie Laboy, Stephanie Kiser
Last Row: Whitney Chrisco, Morgan Taylor, Amanda Reno, Elizabeth Anderson, Quanetta Brown
(Not pictured: Coach Whitney Watts)

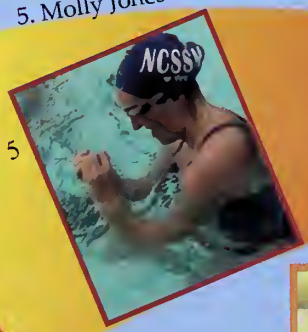
1. Amanda Sadler



2. Michael Woods, Molly Jones, Eric Gerard

3. Salem Johnston and Heather Ferguson

4. Cameron Houser



5. Molly Jones

6. Beck Waldbauer

Getting ready to begin the race, the swimmers situated themselves on the boards and prepared to dive. Being at Edison Johnson, their home pool, the swimmers had an advantage over the opposing team.

Encouraging the swimmers to do their best, Coach Chris Leming inspired Katie Wallace, Daniel Hart, Lessie Scott, Cameron Houser, Brittany Nicolaysen, Daniel Beyer, and their teammates to push themselves to the limit during the meet.

Score Board

Opponent	Total Points Women	Total Points Men
St. Mary's	75	55
Cary Academy	45	86
Riverside	175	139
Cary Academy	46	70
Ravenscroft	71	69
N. Raleigh Christian	61	66
Cresset Christian	129	150

SWIMMING

Thirty-five hundred yards a day. That's 2 miles, 10,500 feet, and 126,000 inches. This was the approximate distance swum by each member of the swim team during every practice. According to Kenan Crawford, the coach pushed all of the swimmers to their limits, and he encouraged them to push themselves and strive to be the best. The hard work of both the coaches and the swim team paid off. The team walked away with a third place finish in the conference by a mere one point deficit. Captain Peter Smutko said, "We earned it by working hard all season." Also, several members of the team participated in the state swim meet. Junior JP Sypniewski set a school record for the 500 freestyle at states. Individual and team success, as well as the amiable personalities of the swimmers, helped form unbreakable bonds throughout the season. Junior Beck Waldbauer will never forget his wonderful teammates and the great season they shared together. "Some of my best friends I made on the NCSSM swim team. Nothing matches up to the excellent environment caused by a swim team, especially at a great school like this. I love it." Peter Smutko added, "We had great camaraderie and sportsmanship, and the whole season confirmed that swimming is simply the best sport. Ever."

Nearing the end of her race, the NCSSM swimmer calmly but skillfully completed the final strokes of the breaststroke. Practicing this stroke for hours had perfected her motions, and she glided past the competition.

First Row: Kenan Crawford, Cameron Houser, Amy Beeston, Jina Kim, Hannah Martin, Salem Johnston, Michael Woods, Cynthia Harbison, Brittany Nicolaysen, Rebekah Ayscue, Molly Jones ***Middle Row:*** Manager Christine Chun, Heather Ferguson, Daniel Beyer, Katie Wallace, JP Sypniewski, Amanda Sadler, Genevieve Pike, Mario Scott, Lessie Scott, Maris Mann-Stadt, manager Kendra Manhertz, Angela Knowles ***Back Row:*** Assistant Coach Darcie Smith, John Powell, James Howard, Thomas Price, Ben Bogardus, Noah Seymore, Peter Smutko, Beck Waldbauer, Eric Gerard, Daniel Hart, Nathan Creger, manager Dorian Britt, Coach Christopher Leming

1. Aaron Belk

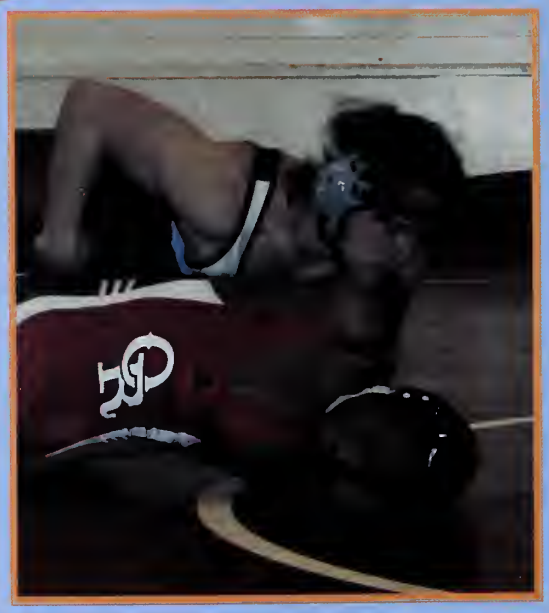
2. Ben Hu

3. Matt Gildner

4. Christian Estes

5. Kevin Breheny

6. Mike Carpenter



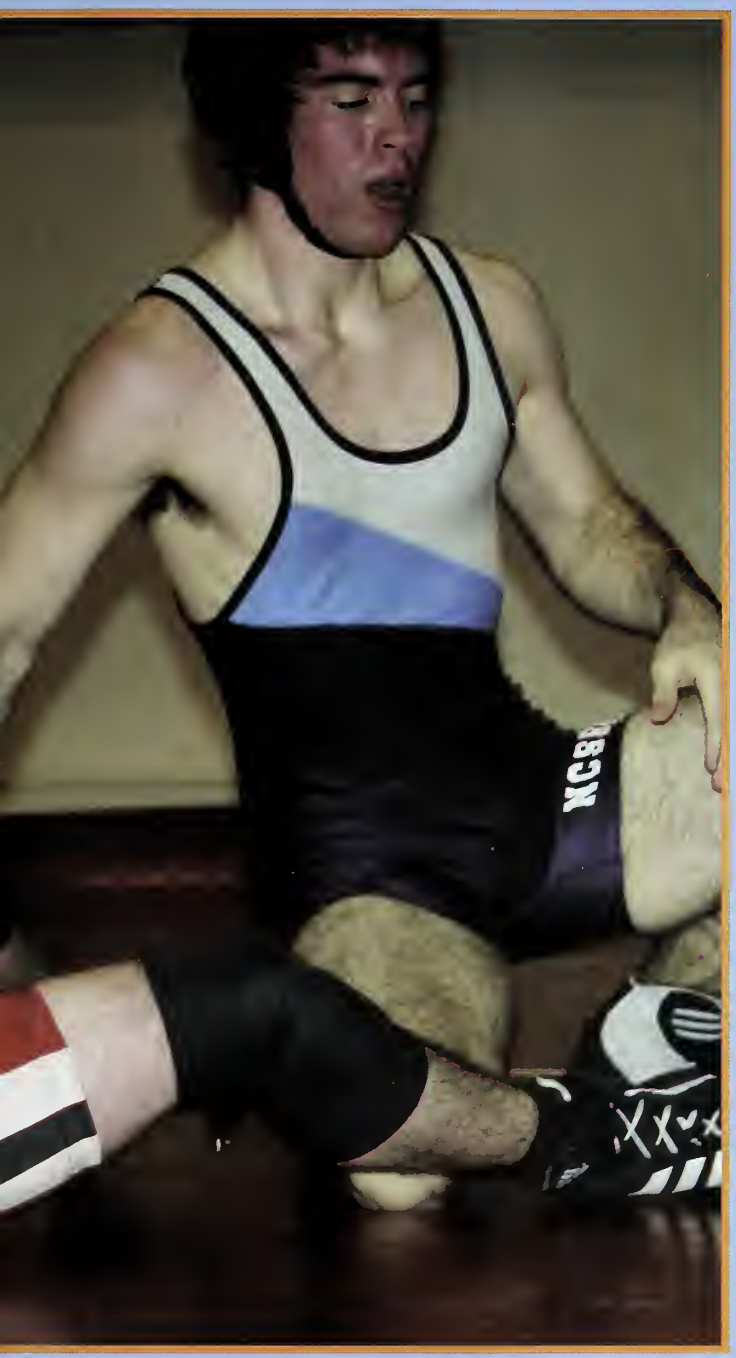
Pinning his opponent, Christian Estes was about to win the match. Christian helped lead the team in practice and matches. He was always willing to help teammates and supported every wrestler during their matches.

Assistant Coach Jason Moore, Matt Gildner, Mike Carpenter, Kevin Breheny, Aaron Belk, Christian Estes, and Coach Mike Charlton attended the state championship.

Score Board

Opponent	Win	Loss
Carolina Friends	X	
Cresset Christian	X	
DSA		X
Ravenscroft	-	-
Durham Academy		X
DSA	X	
Cary Academy		X
N. Raleigh Christian		X
Durham Academy	X	
Ravenscroft		X
Cresset Christian	X	
Cary Academy		X
N. Raleigh Christian		X

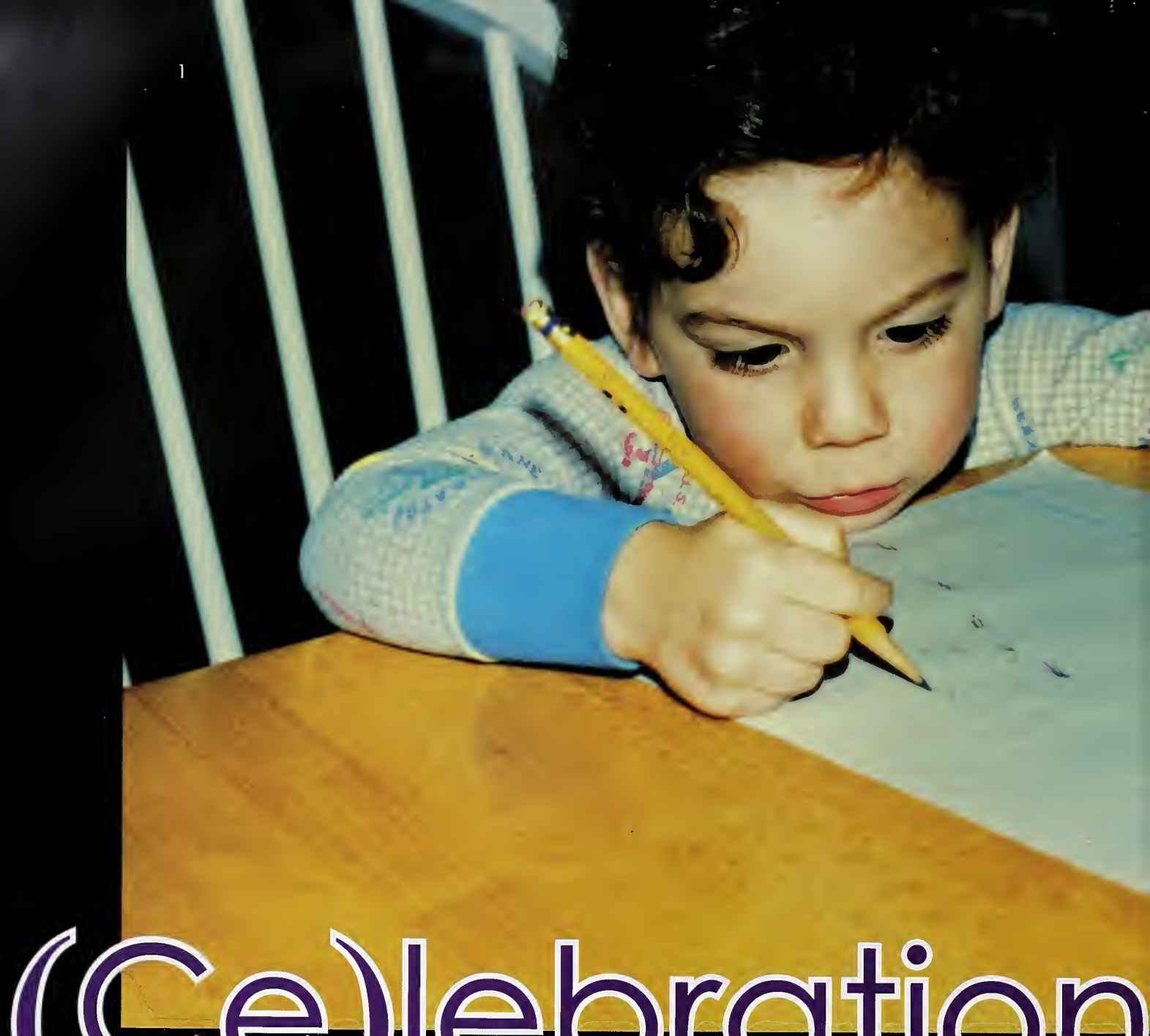
WRESTLING



Intense practices helped make the wrestling team smaller and stronger. The season began with about 14 participants, but ended with only 7 active members. Many dropped out because the practices required a great deal of perseverance and commitment. Because the team had so few wrestlers, it was difficult to win most matches due to forfeits. However, excluding the forfeited points, the wrestling team would have won a majority of their matches. Captains Christian Estes and Patrick Proctor led the team throughout the season. Christian Estes, Kevin Breheny, Matt Gildner, Aaron Belk, and Mike Carpenter competed in the state competition. Unfortunately, senior Patrick Proctor could not participate because he was interviewing for the NC State Park Scholarship. However, Patrick had previously beaten both the second and third place wrestlers in the state. Patrick pinned the second place wrestler in forty seconds. Christian Estes finished second in states for his weight class. Christian said, "I felt like this was my last year to do my best, so I put everything I had into it. I did my best to push myself and everyone else on the team to strive to go past their limits during the season." Each member's successful record was due to their dedication, hard work, and driven leaders.

Exhausted after his match with an Oak Ridge Military Academy opponent, Patrick Proctor defeated the player who would later go on to place third in the state tournament. "Outside of practice he was very respectful and fun to be around. Patrick led by example and his high standards could not be easily exceeded," said Mike Carpenter.

Front Row: Corey Dunn, Ben Hu, Matt Gildner, Christian Estes *Middle Row:* Mike Carpenter, Victor Lieu *Back Row:* Aaron Belk, James Harrell, Patrick Proctor (Not pictured: Kevin Breheny, Coach Mike Charlton, Assistant Coach Jason Moore, manager Amy Varner)



(Ce)lebration

Senior Ads

1. "I remember first learning how to ride a bike; I remember quite clearly wanting to yell at my dad for holding the bike, and then realizing that he had already let go."
- James McCann

2. "I always loved playing with Legos. With just your imagination and a bunch of tiny rectangles a whole world of fun and adventure was possible. The pirates series was the best too; the Star Wars legos didn't have anything over them."
- Jenn Batchelor

3. "I used to have this bow and arrow, and one day I decided to shoot a light fixture in the hallway, thinking the arrow would just stick. Well...I broke the glass and my mom had to wander all across Greenville searching for someone to custom make another piece for the light fixture."
- Nathan Cox

4. "When I was a kid, I ate M&Ms and brownies for two weeks straight; seriously that's it, and my parents would feed them to me. I refused to eat other foods, so my parents were forced to consent."
- Steven Burgess

Congratulations Class of 2006!

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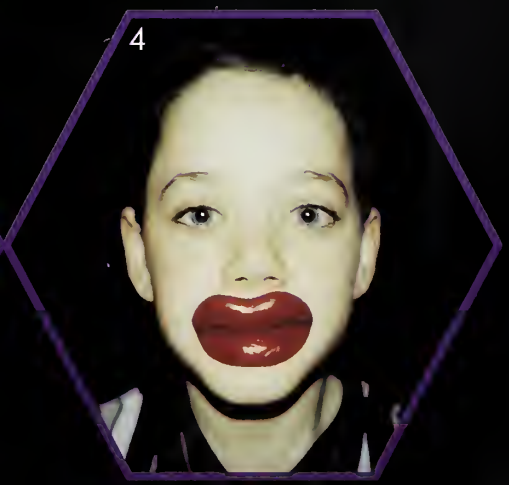
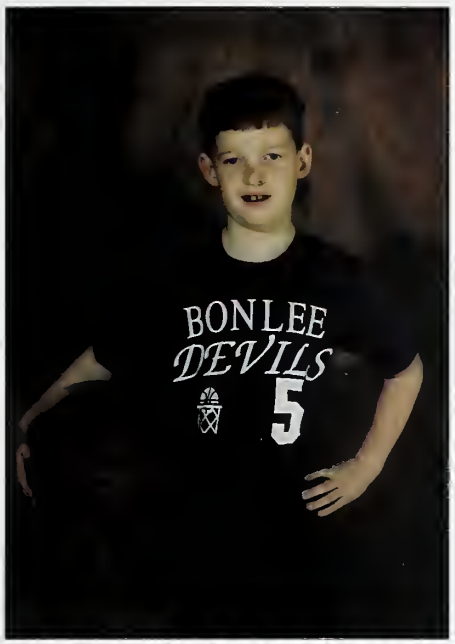


Tim Allsup

It's been a pleasure watching you grow up. We're proud. Congratulations.
Love, Charlotte and Dad

Tim Allsup



You have always had a strong sense of self. Continue to remember who you are and maintain that sense of self. You are a joyful gift from God. Love, Mom, Danny, Becky, Tina, and Maddie

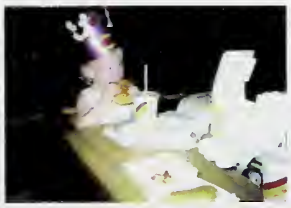
Jim Beckner

Congratulations!
We are very proud of you!
Love,
Mom, Dad & Joey

CONGRATULATIONS ELIZABETH !

I'll love you forever...

I'll love you for always...



As long as I'm living...

My baby you'll be...

We are very proud of the beautiful young lady you have become.
Remember, It's your time to shine - Matthew 5: 13-16
Love, Mom and Dad

Alexandra Cole-Weiss

Congratulations! You are a shining star. We are so proud of you.
Besos y abrazos con mucho amor,
Mom & Dad

Ramsey Lee Cardwell (Age 6)

Ramsey, We love you and wish for your happiness in all that you do.
- Dad, Mom, and Rachel

Kimberly Camille Applewhite

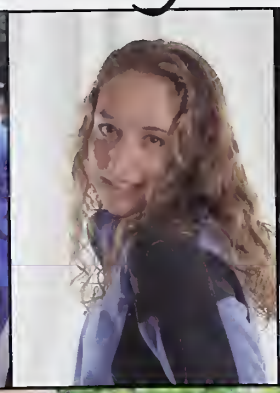
Where has the time gone? You were once this beautiful baby ... now this lovely lady. As you prepare to step out even further from home, always know that we love you and want you to remember who you are - that you are a daughter of your Heavenly Father. Keep striving to achieve excellence.

Aisha Temitope Amuda

Congratulations!
Aisha we are very proud of you.
Whatever you do and wherever
your journey takes you in life keep
God first and you will be blessed.
We love you!

Dad, Mom, and Maryam

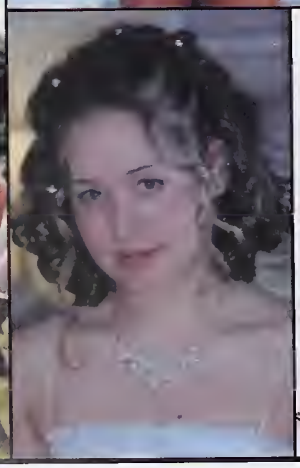
Amy Beeston



Sail on Silver Girl,
Sail on by,
Your time has come to shine.
All your dreams are on their way.
See how they shine!

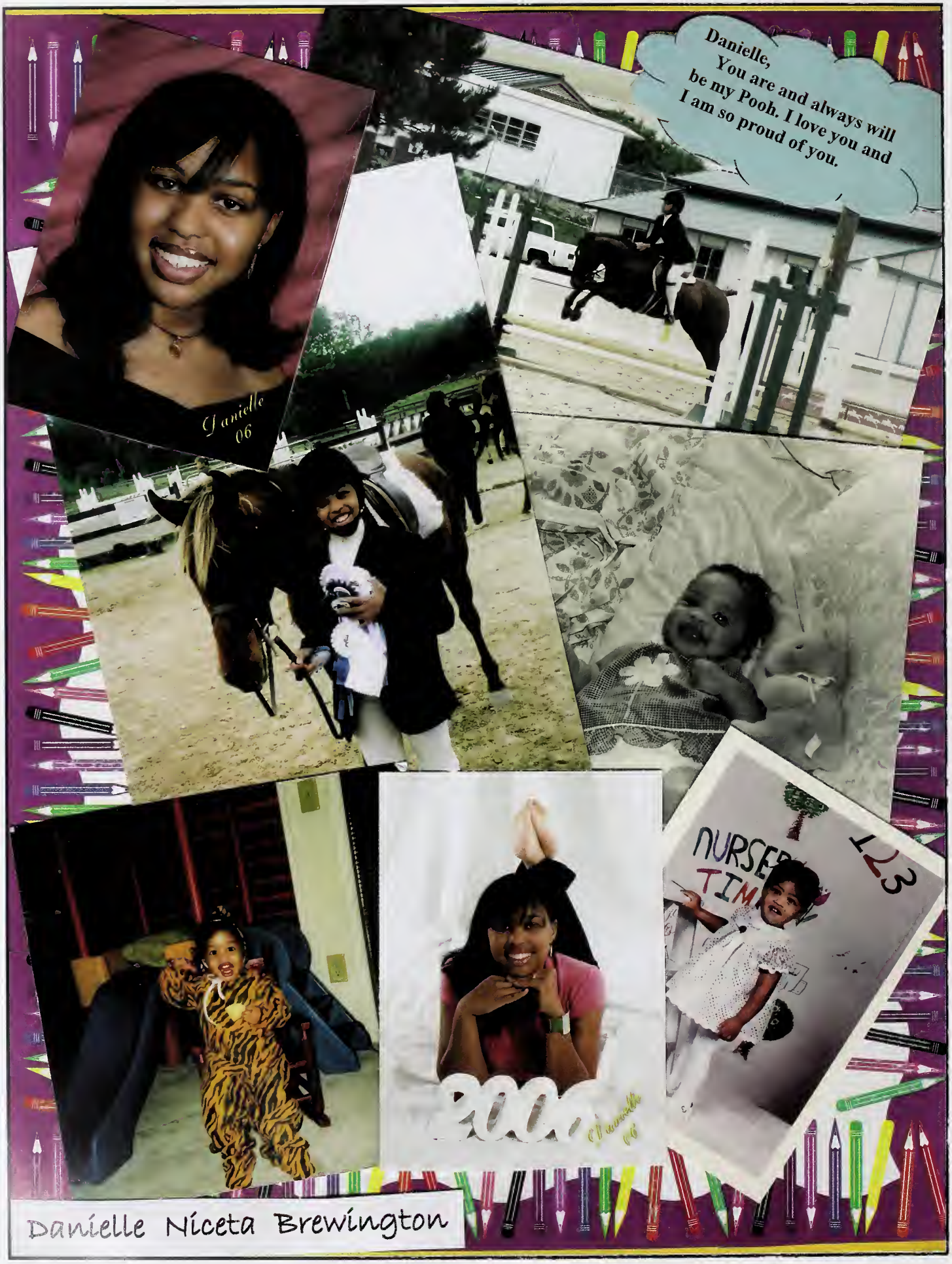
We will always think of you when we hear this song. You have been shining for your whole life, and you have been achieving your dreams all along-to travel, to learn, to climb, to excel, and to love. And now the rest of your life glitters and gleams with possibility! With pride and love as you sail on from this day,

Mom, Dad, and Chris



Kevin L Boyette II
"Len"

Just a little boy, as happy as could be.
"Read another book", you'd say to me.
My "Little Engine That Could"
You always tried hard;
You'd climb your mountains and always fly far.
Trouble followed you to school in Washington.
We were to soon realize the truth--
You were just a special child who needed a little boost.
You strived and learned and got what you needed.
You were always so loving to those who surrounded you.
As time went by, you became a wonderful young man.
Too young to leave, but knew "I can"!
We let go so early for God knew
That He had a bigger vision for you.
Go now and become the person you were destined to be.
Remember,
Mom and Dad are so proud of you
For all that you can be!



Danielle Niceta Brewington

Theresa Crowgey

"To unpathed waters, undreamed shores"
- Shakespeare
"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined."
- Thoreau
We love you and are so proud of you Tupac!
Love, Mom, Dad, Beth, Caitlin, and Sarah

Jenn Batchelor

Remember today, for it is the beginning of always. Today marks the start of a brave new future filled with all your dreams can hold. Think truly to the future and make those dreams come true.

Congratulations on your graduation!
Love, Mom, Dad and Greg

Molly Diehl Cline

A million tomorrows
shall all pass away
'ere I forget all the joy
that is mine today.

We love you,
Molly Diehl!

Dad, Mom, Sally
and Betsy

YOU were always a GOOD EGG...
(Even if slightly cracked)

Everyone knew ... YOU would go places

A love of Music ♫

Beach Babe and life of the party

Reading at an early age

2006

Courtney Erin Brown

Congratulations!
I love you and I
am so proud of you..
Sail on...
the world is your ocean.
love, Mom

Really into Science and Math

"Greatness is not in where we stand, but in what direction we are moving. We must sail sometimes with the wind and sometimes against it...but sail we must, and not drift, nor lie at anchor."
Oliver Windell Holmes

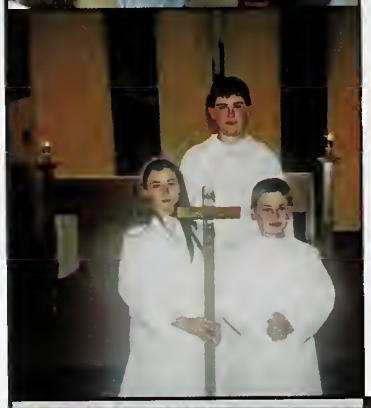
Kalman Bugica

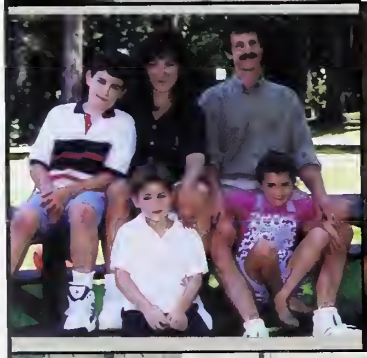
You were our first born son
You've brought new challenges to our lives
always striving for perfection
so much joy under our eyes

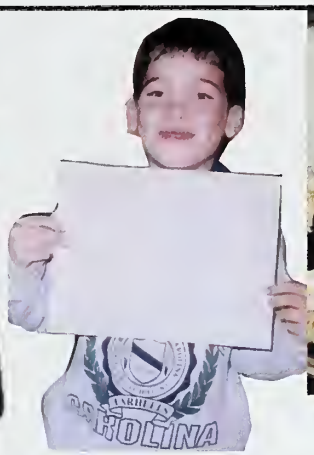
You're my older brother
encouraging me on my math
protecting your little sister
helping me on my path

Being the younger brother
I teased you almost everyday
I guess we've outgrown some things
but the memories will always stay

We're so proud of you
of all that you've done
we wish you luck on your journey
on the path you've chosen
Keep your head held high
and remember who you are
we will love you always
may your dreams take you far
Love Mom, Dad, Kaylin, and Vincent







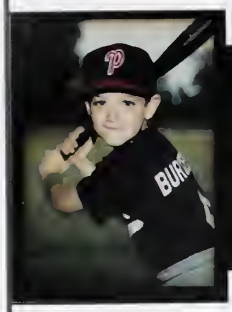
Travis Cianciulli

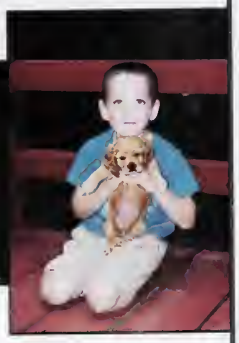
Travis,

We are so very proud of you. We wish for your joy and all good things. Also a life full of great adventures and excitement - but also we wish you health, happiness, love, laughter, and good friends. Look to your future with confident eyes. You will always light our lives.

Love Always,
Mom, Dad and Nicole

Steven Kenneth Burgess





Steven,
You have been a blessing since birth and we are so very proud of you. Your future shines bright before you and we will always be there to back you up.
God Bless and we love you - Dad, Mom, and Ash

Chase Debnam

Congratulations Chase. We are so proud of you. Love, Mom and Caroline

Whitney Chrisco

Congratulations to our daughter.....

A brave, independent leader with a strong will to succeed. We're so proud of you Whitney! We love you with all our heart.

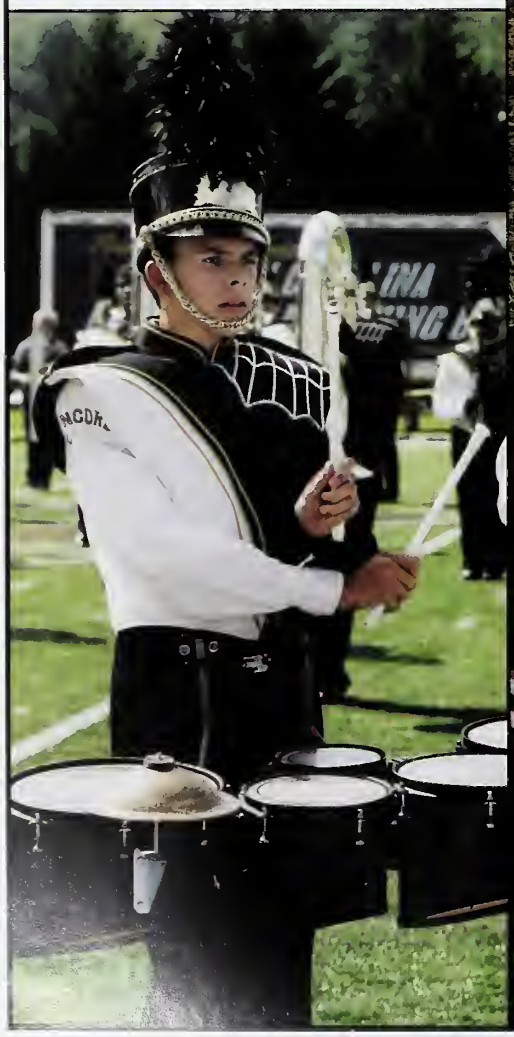
Mom, Dad and Courtney

Congratulations on all your Accomplishments Whitney. You make us all so proud.
Love you, Mema Dalrymple

Thomas Christy

Congratulations, Thomas!
You have been special from the beginning, touching our hearts forever.

Love you, Tom
Mom and Dad



Thomas Christy

I hope I have fulfilled all your expectations of a big sister, and more importantly, of a friend. I don't need to tell you how lucky we are to have each other. Congratulations on all your accomplishments, especially in the past two years. You will be fine, you will do great things and I will always be close.

- Lee

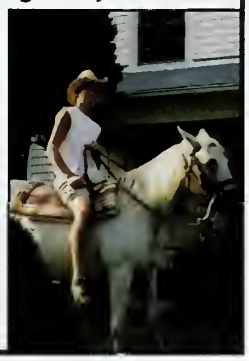
Perry Isner

To our Perry Reeves, there are no words to describe how proud we are of you, and the person you have become. The day you were born we made a promise to support you in all that you wanted to do; that is exactly what we have done. You have never let us down!! You are a blessing to us, and to those who love you.

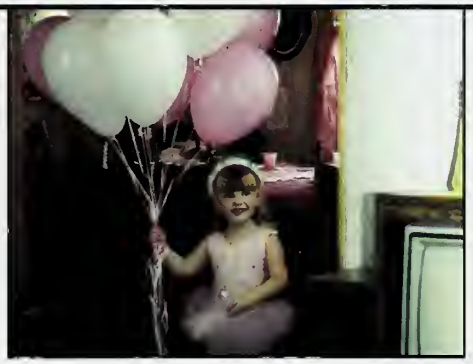
Remember to be true to yourself, and you cannot go wrong. And always remember to thank the One who is responsible for your gifts. God has great plans for you; listen to Him and He will guide you.

Congratulations Perry! Now you are on your way!! Set your goals high ... you can do it!!!

You have all our love, Mom, Dad and Evan



Sam Carey



Congratulations!

We Love You!

God can pour on the blessings in astonishing ways so that you're ready for anything and everything, more than just ready to do what needs to be done ... He gives you something you can then give away, which grows into full-formed lives, robust in God, wealthy in every way, so that you can be generous in every way, producing with us great praise to God. 2 Corinthians 9:8,11

Love, Dad, Mom, Stu, Phil, and Mandy

We are so proud of you!

God Bless You!

Jon Courtney

Jon,
Remember this poem you wrote in your sophomore year? It's my all time favorite.

Your Puzzle
by Jon Courtney

You asked me a question?
Something important, no doubt
No, I didn't hear it-
I was thinking, thinking
Of what I don't know
Maybe I'm just lost
Some think I'm clueless,
They might be right
Until I find that niche, who knows?
Can I dedicate myself
When I don't know?
Is ignorance truly bliss?
I doubt I'll ever know the answers
But isn't that why we live?
Maybe it's like a big puzzle
from every encounter and experience
You draw a single fragment
At the end of the game the pieces are put together
To reveal the picture you yourself formed
What will you see in your picture?
What if you're still clueless?
Well, what's stopping you
from playing the game again?
Play, and play, until you find
The truth you think you seek
And compare it to your picture
The question you asked?
No, I'm afraid I still don't know

Wishing you the best as you continue to find the wonderful pieces of your puzzle. So proud of you for "accepting the greater challenge."

Love, Mom

Courtney Anne Colwell

Friends, Family & Love!!
We are so proud of you!
Mom & Dad

Iwo Jima

YOUR COMMANDING OFFICER HAS SUSPENDED YOUR SENTENCE

GET OUT OF JAIL FREE

THIS CARD MAY BE KEPT UNTIL NEEDED, OR SOLD

Nathan James Cox

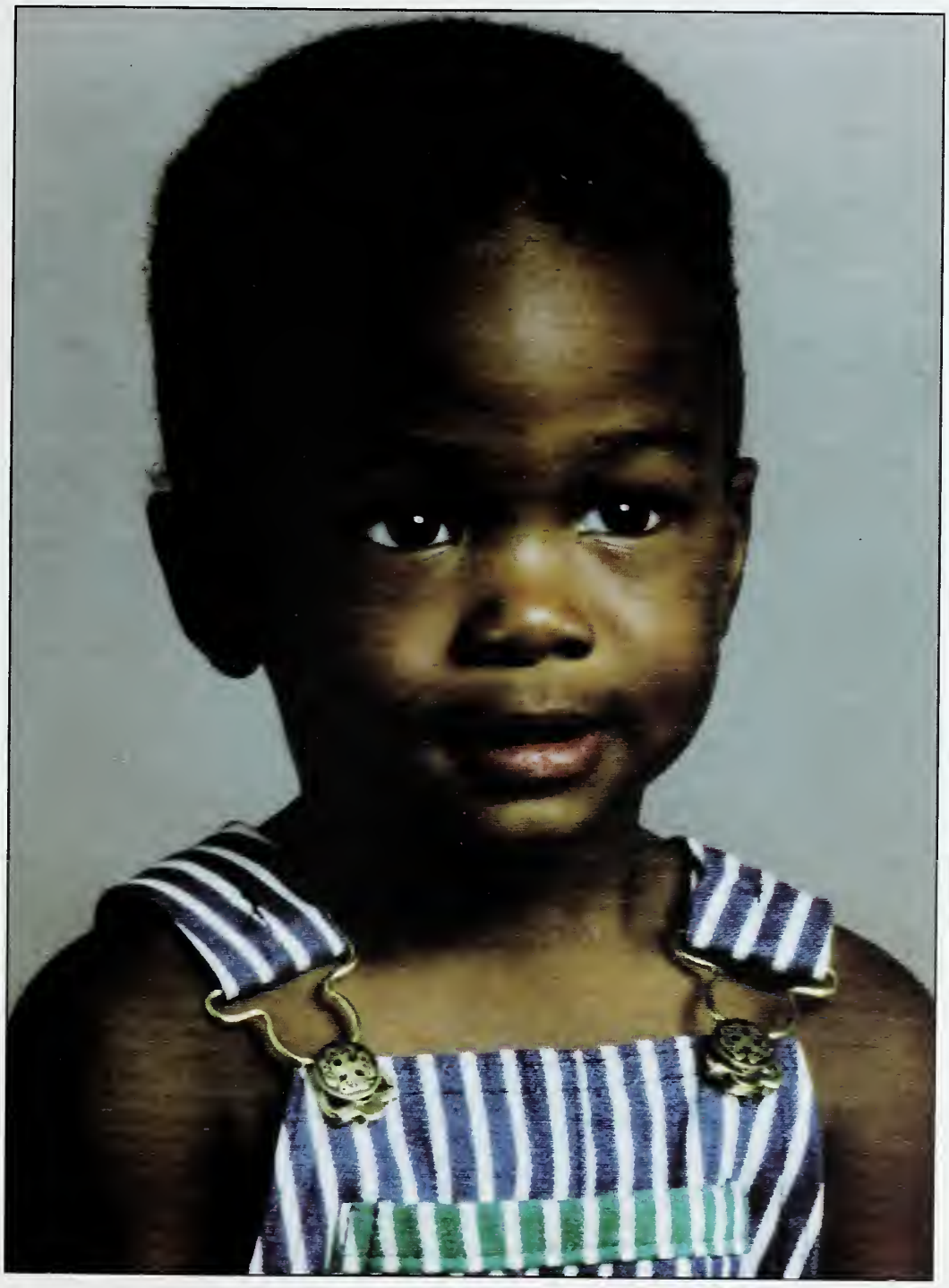
Nathan, Congratulations!
We are very proud of you.
Love, Mama, Papa, and
Seth

Cortney Dahlgren

Since the day you were born you've been filling our hearts with joy and pride. You've proved yourself to be a ***true Jedi*** with all the "right stuff"! Congrats! We love you.

Gammy, Dad, Mom, and Kari

Robert Davis



You are my circle of fifths. You will always be my 14736251. I love you and am so proud of you.
-Mommy

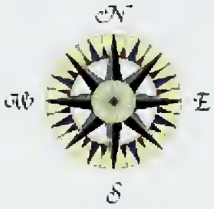
NISEL DESAI

YOU ARE THE SCULPTOR OF YOUR OWN LIFE. SHAPE IT THE WAY YOU WANT. WE ARE PROUD OF YOU NISEL.

GOOD LUCK. WE LOVE YOU.

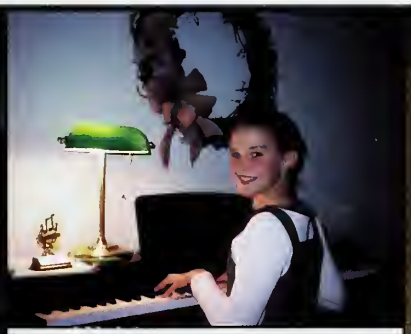
MOM, DAD, EVA, MA, AND DADA

Best Wishes to the Class of 2006



Dear Corey,

As you journey through life, choose your destinations well, but do not hurry there.
You will arrive soon enough.
Wander the back roads and forgotten paths, keeping your destination in your heart like the fixed point of a compass.
Seek out new voices, strange sights, and ideas foreign to your own. Such things are riches for the soul.
And if upon arrival you find that your destination is not exactly as you planned, stay curious, live passionately, defend your idealism, and preserve your innocence as you continue your adventure through life.
You have the ability to make a difference in the world.
We are so proud of you!
Love,
Mum, Dad, and Eric



Mary Elizabeth Eannarino

A caring friend. A kind and loving sister. A wonderful and lovely daughter. We are so proud of you and love you very much, just as you are.

Mom, Dad, Steven, and Dominic

"It is our choices that show what we truly are, more than our abilities" *Albus Dumbledore*

"Just don't give up trying to do what you really want to do. Where there is love and inspiration, I don't think you can go wrong." *Ella Fitzgerald*

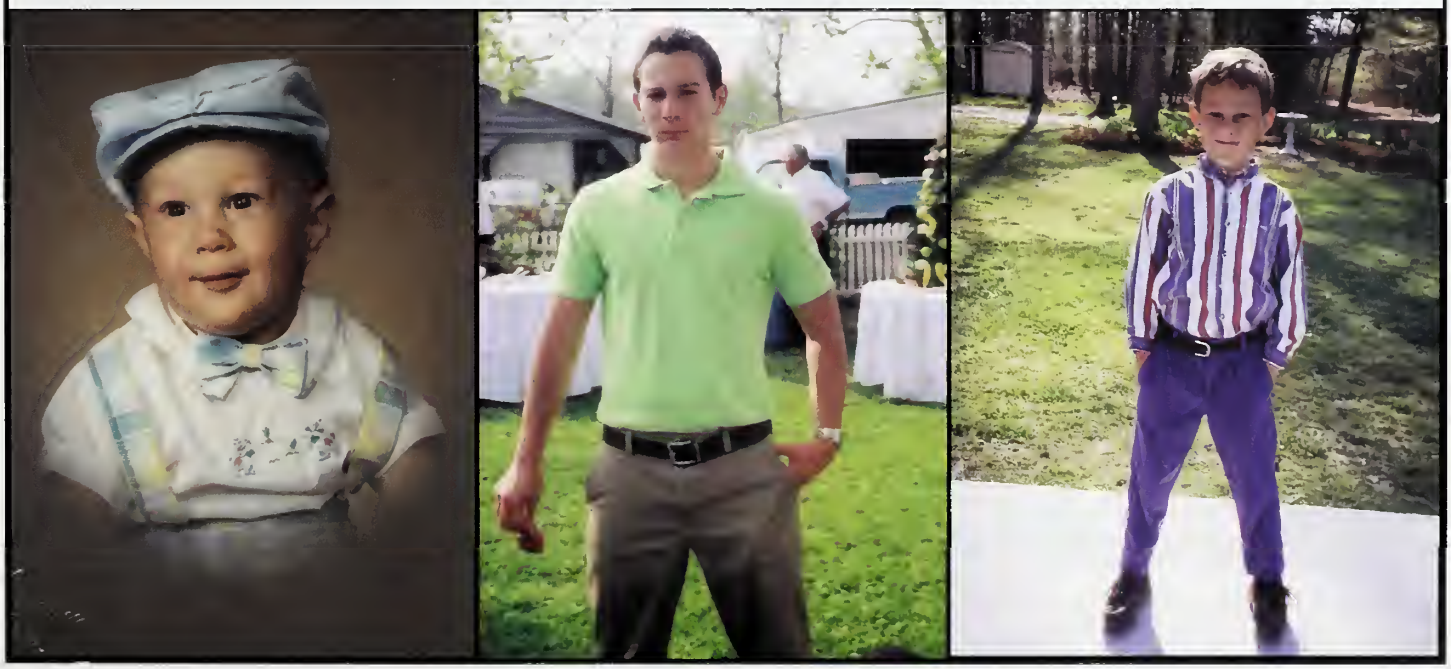
It's time to trust my instincts, close my eyes and leap! *Elphaba -- about to Defy Gravity*

Anna Engelke 2006

Be creative, do good work, laugh loud and often, swing to the stars, and remember we love you!! *Mom, Dad, Kathryn, and Sam*

Lindsey Erps

Congratulations Lindsey!
We are so very proud of
you. Follow your dreams
and reach for the stars!
Love, Mom Dad and Shelby



Heather Lynn Faircloth

"Daughters do wonderful things. Not the wonderful things you expected them to do. Different things. Astonishing things. Better than you ever dreamed."

—Marion C Garretty

Heather, we are so proud of you. Continue to use your special gifts, and follow your dreams. Remember you're our sunshine and we'll always love you,

Mom, Dad, Conor, Spencer, Granny and Papa

Rachel Emmele Gilgen

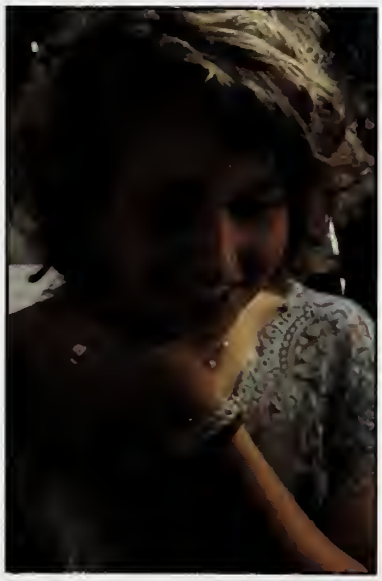
I look back at pictures of my curly headed "Momma's helper" who INSISTED on doing things HER way...

I look now at the beautiful (curly headed) young woman and am thrilled that she is confident to try doing things NEW WAYS...

Looking to the future... as you find your way in life please know your Dad, brothers and I will always be here to LOVE and support you!

P.S. Keep the curly hair ... that CRAZY, mad-scientist look is working for you!

Love, Mom (& Dad)



Courtney Fox

... you are our special princess!

... may all things be magical for you!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Tyler

Matthew Scott

Scott Schwartz

Will Yelton

Congratulations Fourth West! We are proud of you!

Steven Truman

Matt Alfaro

Dan Swaim

Eric Lifka

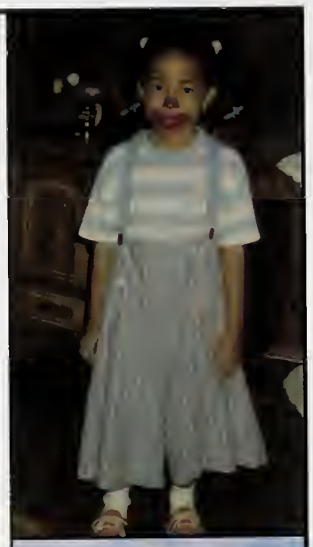
Casey,

Where have the last 18 years gone? Just yesterday you were driving your "John Deere" in the backyard. We are so proud of your accomplishments here at home and at school. We look forward to the next stage of your life. We will support you in all your decisions. Have the courage to reach for your greatest dreams.

Love,
Dad, Mom
and Kristin
Philippians 4:13

Laurelle A. Gonzalez

Mi Chiquita,
We're so proud of you. You've lived through a lot of highs and lows these past couple of years and we know that you will continue to succeed at whatever you set your mind to. Always know that we love you and we're here for you when you need us.
Love, Mom and Dee

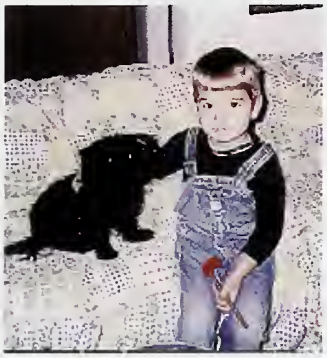


Peter Amos Grochowski

The day you were born, we knew our lives would never be the same. Your brother, Mike (NCSSM 2000), first welcomed you into the world.

There were certain traits that showed themselves early on...

You like naps . . . long naps



You love animals

You like dressing up (front right)

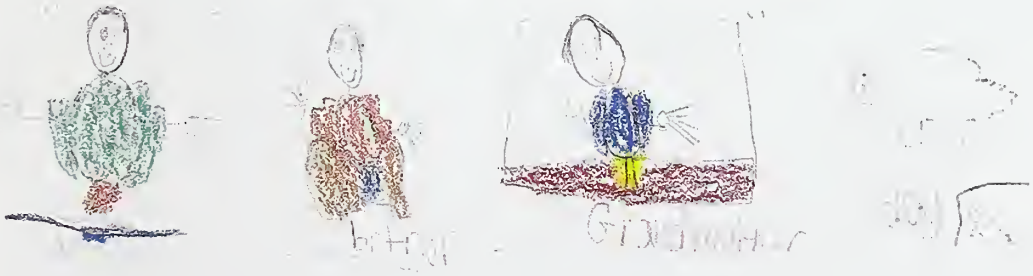
You like science

You are inquisitive about the world.

And you are artistic (self-portrait).

Your hair has grown from little nubs to draping locks but your character remains the same. Mr. Harvey, your 8th grade band director said, "Peter is one of those kids that I know I can count on. That is rare these days." It has been our great joy to be part of your life.

Mom, Tony, Mike, Granny, Midog, & Sassie



Julianne Y. Goyena

To My Beautiful Daughter,

I still cannot believe
you are not in
Kindergarten anymore.

I Love You,
Mama

In the realm of ideas,
everything depends on
enthusiasm;
in the real world,
all rests on perseverance.

~ Goet he

Congratulations, Alex!

We admire your enthusiastic perseverance.
Fight on!

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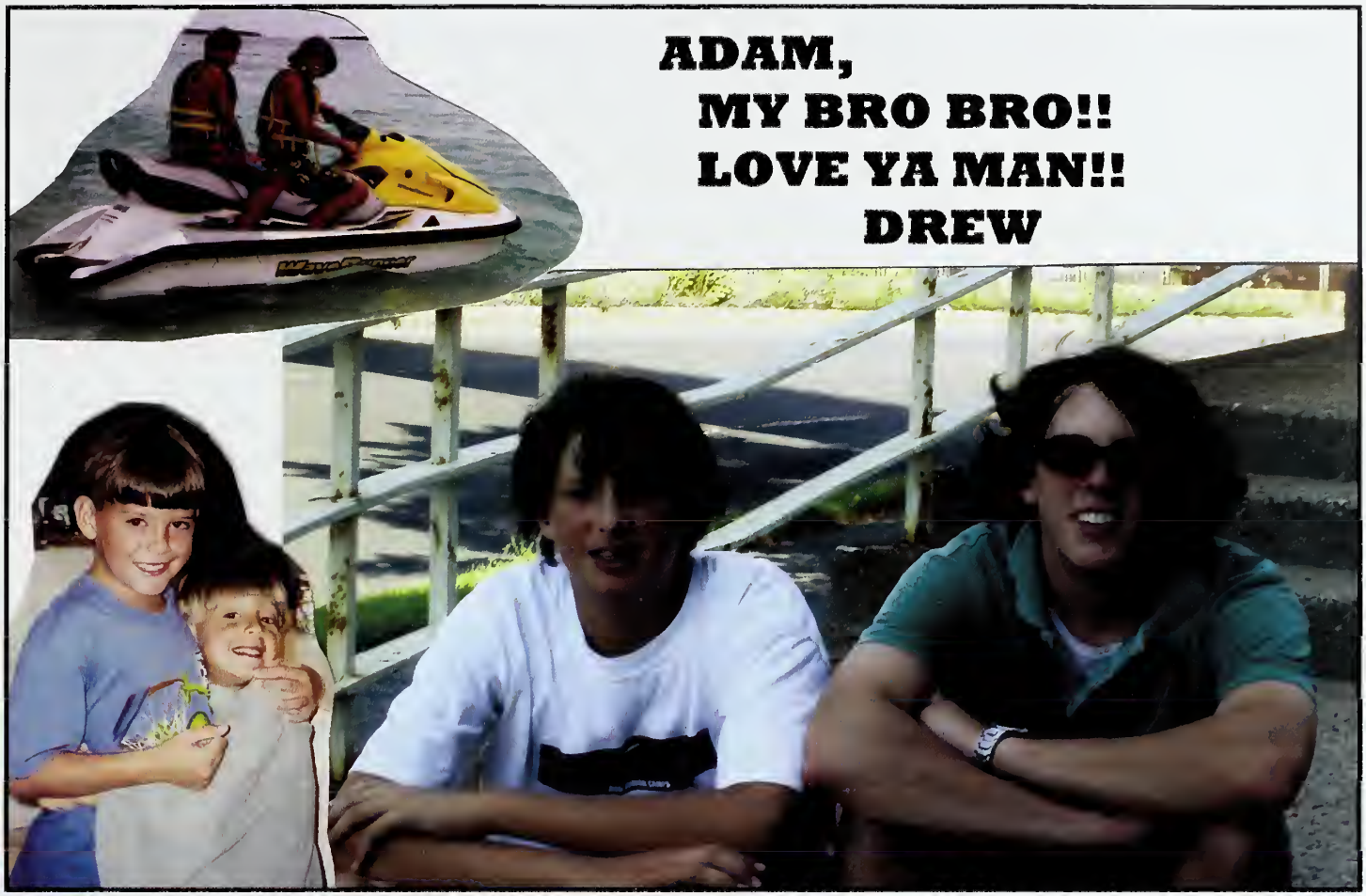
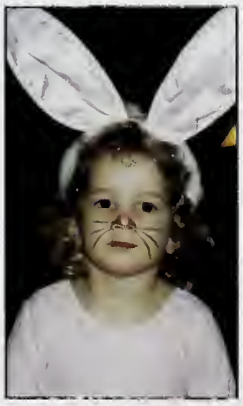
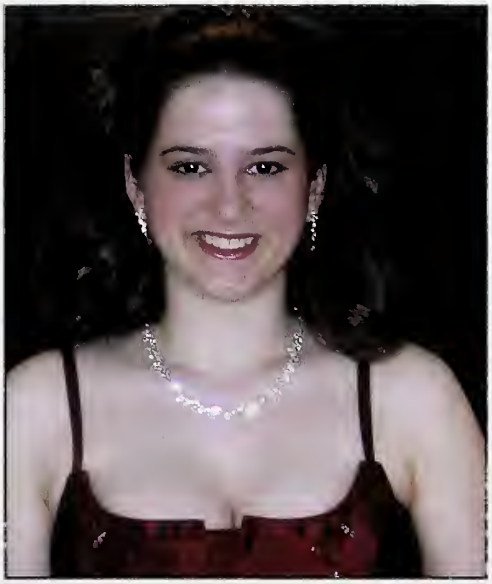
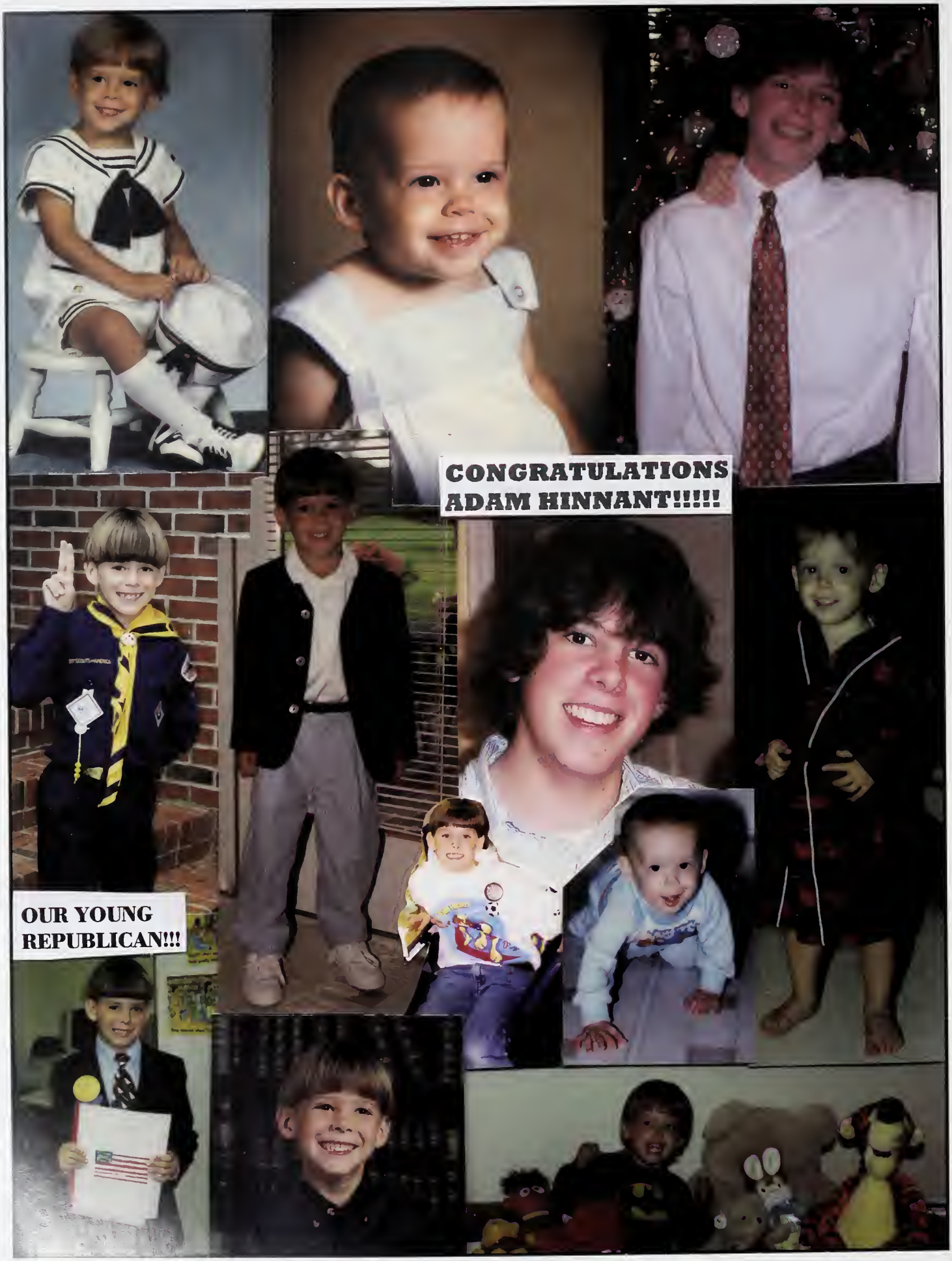




Jenna Hardison

We love you!!!
Mom, Dad and Scott




CONGRATULATIONS
ADAM HINNANT!!!!!
OUR YOUNG
REPUBLICAN!!!

Adam,

The will of God will never take you,
Where the Grace of God cannot keep you,
Where the Arms of God cannot support you,
Where the Wisdom of God cannot teach you,
Where the Word of God cannot feed you.

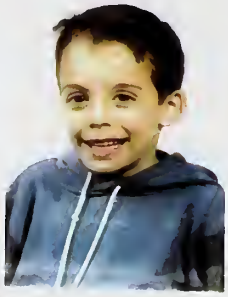
The will of God will never take you,
Where the Riches of God cannot supply you,
Where the Love of God cannot enfold you,
Where the Spirit of God cannot work through you,
Where the Miracles of God cannot be done for you.

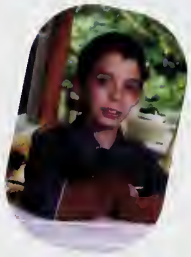
The will of God will never take you,
Where the Power of God cannot endow you,
Where the Mercies of God cannot sustain you,
Where the Peace of God cannot calm your fears,
Where the Omnipresence of God cannot find you.

Listen to your wonderful, kind heart and let your Faith lead your journey!!

We love you so very much and are so very proud of you!!
Mom and Dad

STEPHANE BERNARD LOUIS HENRION





Stéphane,

Since you came in our life you have always been
JOY and HAPPINESS.
We are so PROUD of the person you have become.
Follow YOUR HEART and DREAMS
Into the FUTURE.
We will be here for you.
Most of all, REMEMBER that we
LOVE YOU ALWAYS.

Maman et Papa

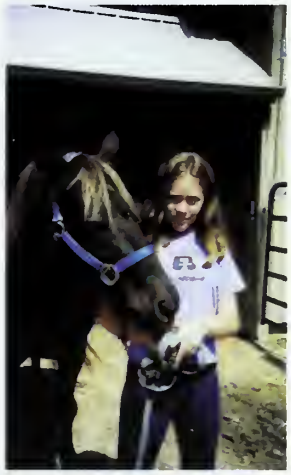
EMBRACING THE WORLD WITH YOUR BEAUTIFUL SMILE!

JESSICA,

What an incredible journey these two years have been !!!
You have set your goals and with such positive determination
And enthusiasm you have accomplished them. WOW!!
We are so proud of you. You have grown into a beautiful
Young woman with many positive attributes. And the greatest
Is your love and kindness to others and the world around you.
Stay focused and you will succeed in any goal you set.
Keep your eyes on God and he will always bless you.

Love you always, Mom, Dad, and Doogie

"It is not enough to reach for the brass ring.
You must also enjoy the merry-go-round"
Julie Andrews



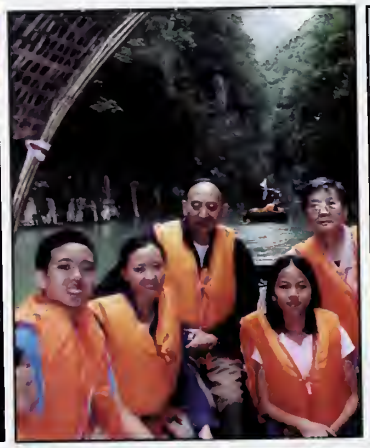
Congratulations, Sarah!
You have worked diligently for so long towards this day and you have succeeded! What an excellent achievement. We are so proud of you!
We love your heart and spirit.
Stay true to your self and you will be happy no matter what you decide to do.

Love,
Mom and Dad

Benjamin

Yifeng Hu

Ben, see how you have grown from a sweet, loving and curious little boy into an adventurous and intelligent young man! We are so proud of you! Keep following your dreams and make them come true, we know you will have fun along the way. Love you and best wishes for you always,
Mom, Dad, Bailey, and Belinda



Charles Hughes

Charles,

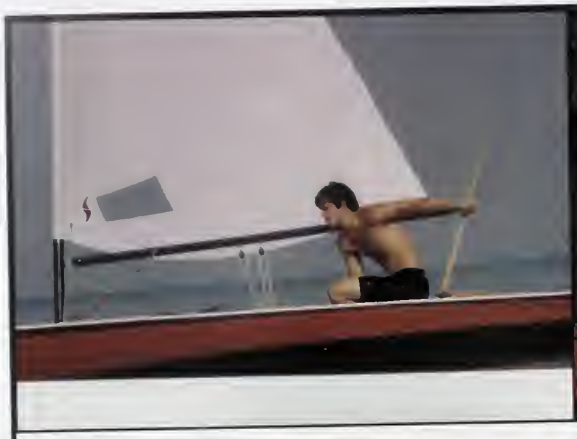
Graduation is a time for feeling very proud, for thinking lots of lovely thoughts and saying them out loud. It's a time for feeling love about to overflow, and just before it leaps its banks to let the loved one know.

We're very proud of you for being who you are, for making something of yourself, for making it this far. We're proud because we are a part of everything you do. You've reached this special time in life through discipline and effort. Your accomplishments have brought much honor upon yourself, your family, and your community.

Your future holds so much in store - blessings, challenges, dreams, and more. May all your wishes and hopes come true, and may the years be good to you.

God Bless you now and always.

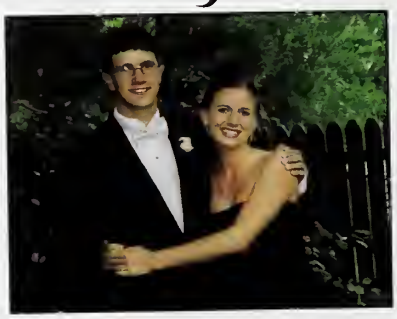
Dad, Mom, Aaron, Papa Terry, Grandma Laura, Papa Leroy, Grandma Gin, Uncle Dean, Aunt Christie, Zachary, Aunt Darlene, Harvey, Natalie and Corey.



ANDREW PAYNE JOHNSON

Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines, sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sail. Explore. Dream. Discover.

-Mark Twain



Sugie,

Playful, joyful, loving and sensitive ... You are so dear to me, as a son and as a friend.

Love, Momma

Little brother,

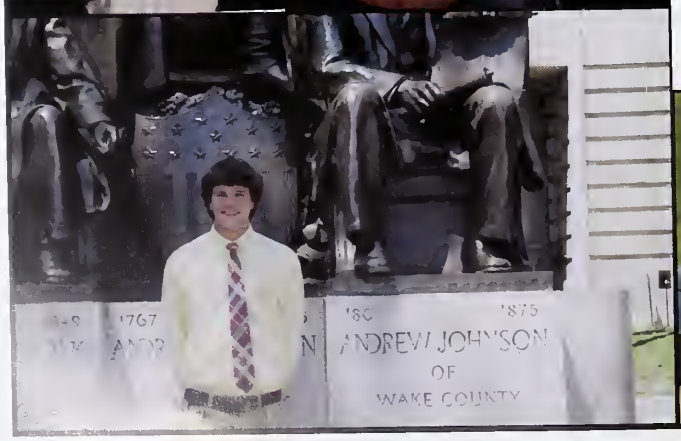
Although you are no longer "littler than me," I will always call you that. I will always look up to you because you are such a wonderful, well-rounded young man. Some may call you goofy, but I love your sense of humor. Good luck and know that you will be wonderful at whatever you choose to do. I love you so much!

-Josie

Andrew,

This bed is comfortable, or is it just me? You are a great son and a very good influence on me. You're an inspiration and a source of great pride. I hope you keep your positive attitude and passion...On to a great future.

Love, Dad



2006 Congratulations, 2006
Calley Grace Jones!

Wow, what a terrific young lady you have become! We have been blessed that God has entrusted you to us to raise as our daughter. You are a source of great joy and inspiration in our lives. We are so very proud of you! May God's blessings always be upon you. Dream BIG!
Love,
Mom & Dad,
Robert & William

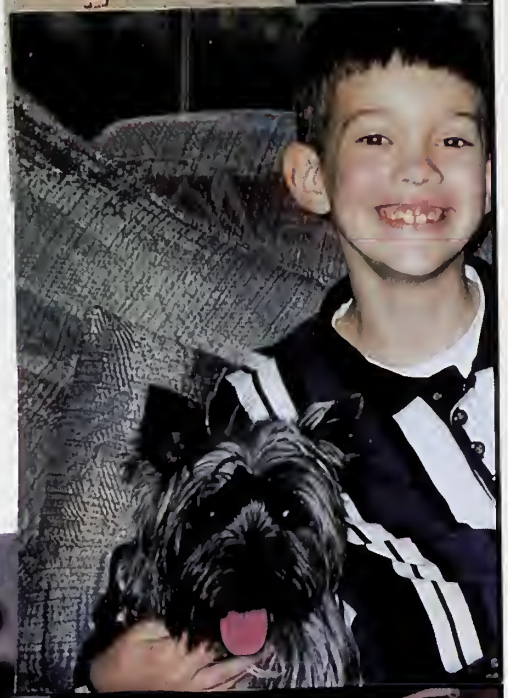
Thanks to all the NCSSM faculty and staff. Your love, and dedication to these students has been so appreciated. May God bless you and yours!

David Jones

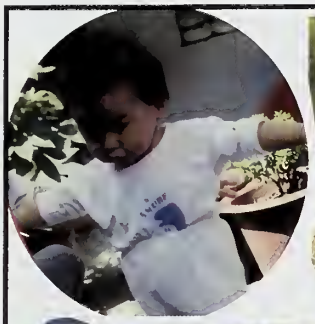
We are so proud of you and your accomplishments. We wish you the best that life has to offer. It has been a joy to watch you grow into a wonderful young man. Go forward with purpose in achieving your goals, live the life that you've dreamed of, and discover the plan God has for your life. Make today's dreams tomorrow's reality. Remember that we love you and will always be there for you. Words cannot express how much you mean to us. It's been an incredible journey and we look forward to what's ahead!

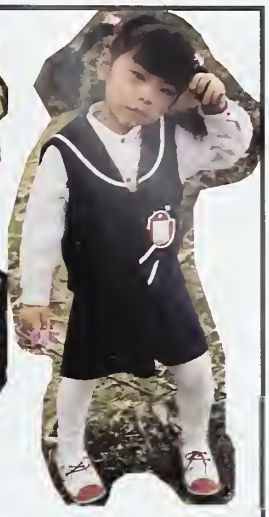
With all our love,

Mom and Dad



Jin Kim

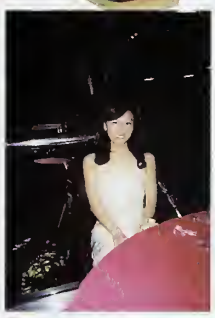


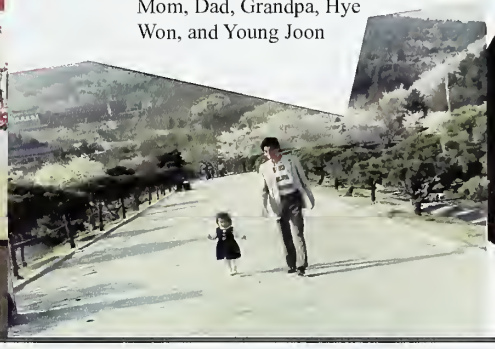


Dear Hye Jin...

YOU DID IT!!! Congratulations to you! And we just want you to know that no one can describe how proud we are of you! You have become a beautiful young lady with a bright future ahead. With God's blessing, we knew you could do it. You have been through some joyful times and hard times, but never forget to always thank God for all his works and blessings. All of us are watching you with great hopes! We know you will do your best in all you do and that is all that matters. You will always be a light to wherever you go. Whatever you do in life, don't forget that we are always here for you with wide open arms.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Grandpa, Hye Won, and Young Joon





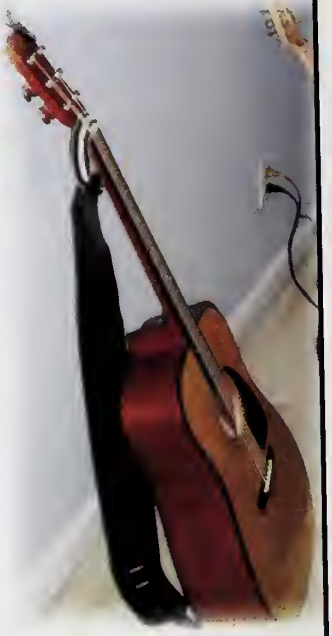
Congratulations from Dad, Mom, Meghan, and Evan

Molly Jones

Je m'appelle

Celebrate we will Because life
is short but sweet for certain
We're climbing two by two To
be sure these days continue
These things we cannot change

La Musique
Dave Matthews
Dispatch
Dashboard
Cold Play
U2
Jack Johnson
Damian Rice
Bruce Cockburn
David Gray
Ben Harper



Les Films
Top Gun
Fight Club
Godfather
Snatch
Garden State
Rounders
Gladiator

Erica Jerguson

This is it, this is life

Jina Grace Kim

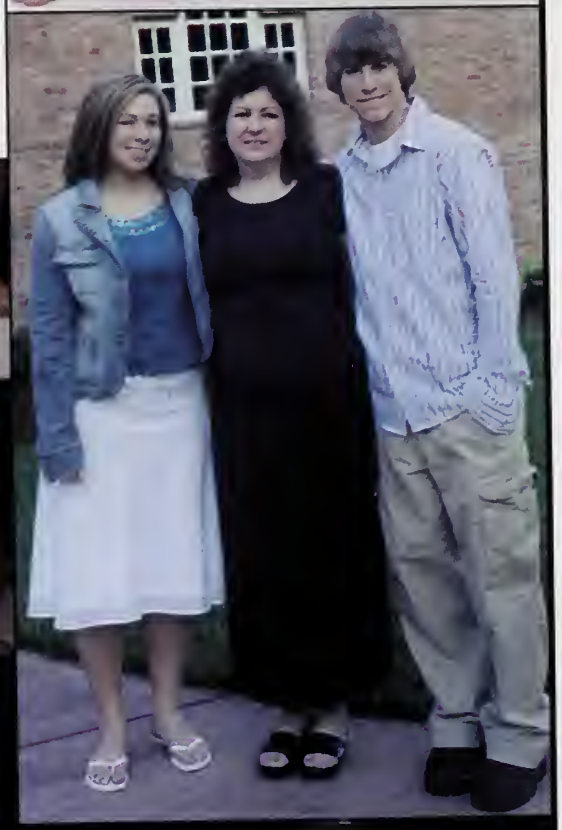
Thank God you have made it this far! We are most grateful that God sent us a beautiful daughter. We have and will always pray that you will focus on the Lord. Live life with happiness that overflows.

Love always,
Mom and Dad

Stephanie Brooke Kiser

From a beautiful miracle baby to a wonderful young lady....
we have watched you grow and develop into the caring, thoughtful, ambitious, and successful young woman you are.
We are so very proud of you!
Keep your eyes focused on God for strength and direction and never look back.

We love you,
Mom, Dad, and Matt
2006



Shria Kumar

The road goes ever on and on
Down from the door where it began
You can turn it, merge it, or take it far
With our prayer and love, we remain your fans

We believe in you and wish you the best
Mom, Dad, Rajat, and Champ

Sharlie Latiolais

Our Little One, Buddy,
Friend, Pal, Boo -

We are so proud of you for taking on and conquering the challenges NCSSM has presented to you these past two years. You are a very smart and beautiful person Sharlie and we love you very much. We wish you continued success and happiness always.

Love,
Mom, Heidi, Nanny,
Papa, Aunt Carrie,
Uncle Keith, Sugar and
Corey

Elizabeth Liles
You are so loved.

Daddy, Mom,
Michael, Joseph,
Marble, Millie,
and Velcro

Dear Hailey,

As we reflect on the past 18 years, it has occurred to us that the "circle of life" in your case is actually an "upward spiral"! From Mozart, to lending a helping hand, to always giving your best, we can't imagine how far you'll go - let alone your kids and grandkids! Keep the faith and never give up - the world is counting on the difference you make and the joy you create!

Love, Mom, Dad, Kristen, Jillian

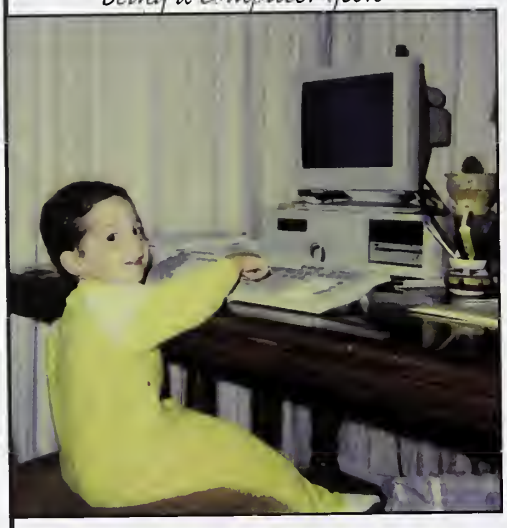
刘美
May, Congratulations!
You are the best of the best!
With all our love, Mom, Dad and Danielle
CHERRY TREE

Whether you're dancing in the rain

or

Challenging your brain...

Being a computer geek

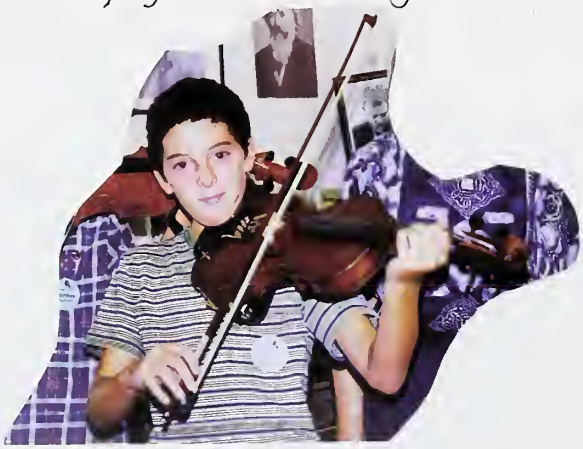


or

Making something good to eat...

James Burton McCann

Playing music on the strings



or

Just enjoying the mood you're in...

You are always on our minds, in our hearts, and admired for all you accomplish.

Congratulations on your graduation!

Love,
Mom, Dad, and SarahJane

Peggy McKay

Take time to celebrate

CONGRATULATIONS THOMAS!!!
2006

Sometimes when I watched you climb a tree, I didn't see the determination in your eyes-
Only your clumsiness and tattered shorts from the fall you shortly took.
I was thinking ruined shorts.
You were thinking mountains!

Sometimes when you rode your bike and jumped your ramp in frolicsome danger,
I didn't see the bravery in your deed- only the impending foolhardy scar.
I was thinking emergency room.
You were thinking power and speed!

Sometimes when a grade was slipping and I feared failure,
I didn't see the other grades that were super-only the bad ones.
I was thinking it was my failure.
You were just thinking!

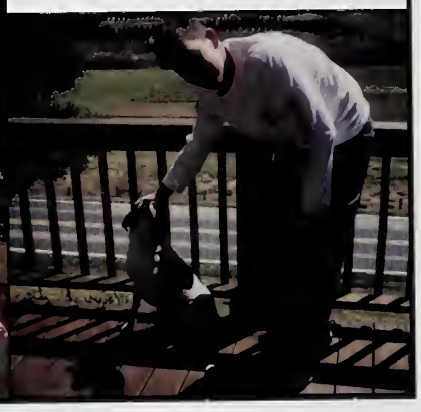
Some eighteen years have come and gone, and you have grown to be a young man. I can see the power of your dreams, the height of your optimism, and the depth of your accomplishments. Sometimes I just didn't see.
But I can now!

I am so proud of you and all that you have become. May you never lose that sense of wonder you have always had.

I love you,
Mom

Matthew Long

Matthew, you are such a blessing to us. It's been so rewarding watching you grow up. Now you are ready to move on to the next stage of your life. We are so proud of your accomplishments. As you graduate, just remember how much you are loved and remember that God has a plan for you. Always keep him first in your life. We love you very much.
-Mom and Dad



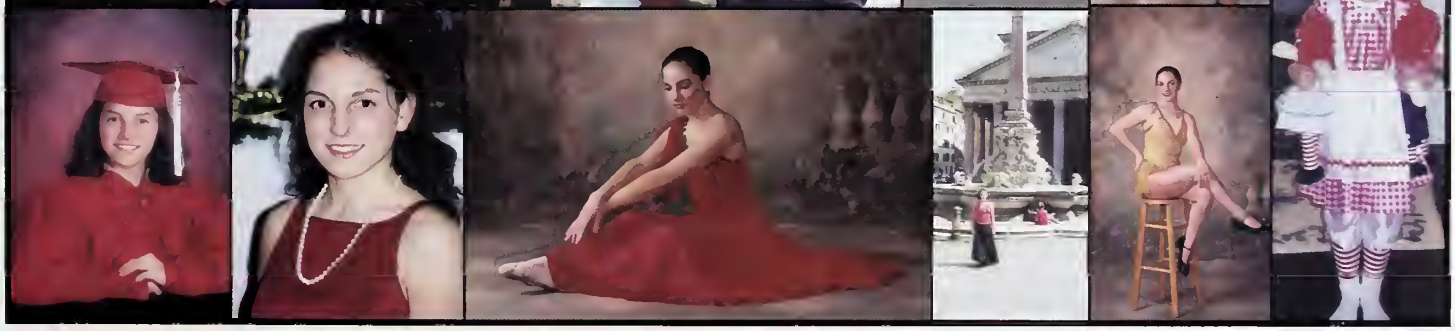
Thomas Manning

Keep shoot'n for the tin ring! We are proud of you.
Love you,
Dad and Merri

Katelyn Anne Millay

"And above all, watch with glittering eyes the whole world around you because the greatest secrets are always hidden in the most unlikely places. Those who don't believe in magic will never find it." - Roald Dahl

We love you and believe in you!
Mom, Dad and Jackie



Ben Miller

Ben,
You've grown into a fine young man. We're very proud of you.
Love,
Mom and Dad

To Our Sweet Mel

You are the Best!!!

Love, Mom, Dad and Chailee

Meredith Rountree

You are my sunshine, my only sunshine
You make me happy, when skies are gray
You'll never know dear, how much I love you...

Love Mom and Dad

Jonathan Pegram

Jonathan,

Even the meaning of your name means "God Gift" and that is what you have been in our lives. You have enriched our lives far beyond what words can describe. You are a young man with integrity, intelligence, determination and have always been your own person. Keep your faith in God and seek him in the decisions you make. May he always be your guide and may you never doubt his power in your life. It is a privilege and joy to be a part of your life. We are so proud of you and will always be here for you. We wish you success, health, and happiness always.

We love you,
Mom and Dad

Kimberly Renea Poston

Kim,
God truly blessed us when you came into our lives.We have watched you grow into a beautiful and intelligent young lady. We are proud of you and love you very much. Congratulations on all of your accomplishments and we wish you luck in all you do.
Love,
Dad, Mom, Sarah, & Jess

Whatever you wish, Whatever you dream,
Whatever you hope to achieve...
Whatever you try for, Whatever you plan...
It is yours, Sara, if you only believe.

We love you so much,
Daddy, Mom, Crystal, Carrie, and Sydney

Jeremiah 1:5-10

Donovan Patterson

Son:

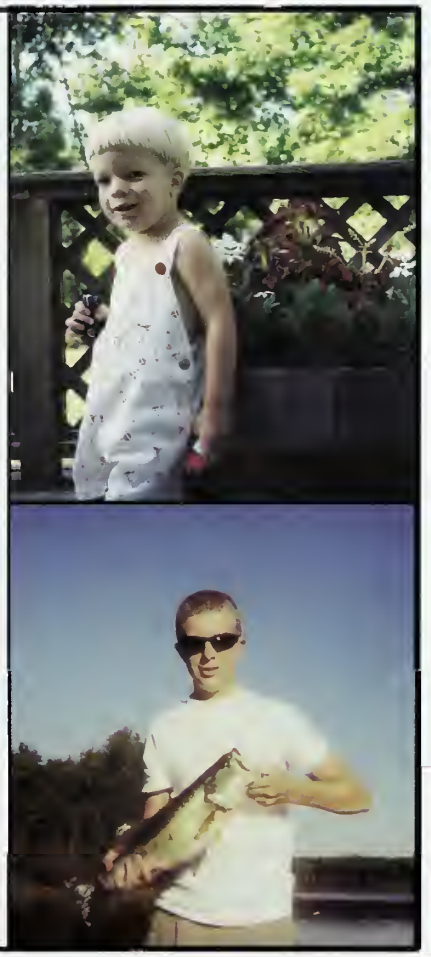
We are very proud of you. May all of your flights land safely.

Love Mom and Dad

Thomas Gray Price

"The price of success is hard work, dedication to the job at hand, and determination that whether we win or lose, we have applied the best of ourselves to the task at hand."
- Vince Lombardi

Congratulations Thomas.
Mom, Dad, Sam and Analisa



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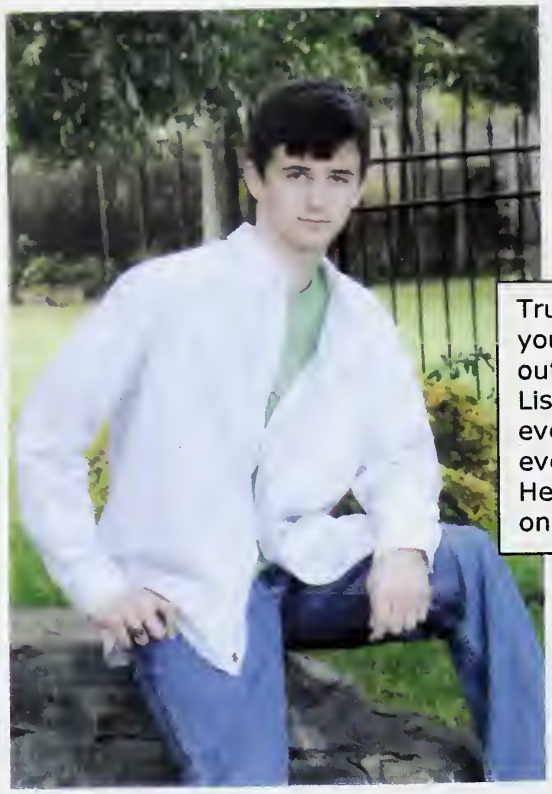
"Super Adam!"



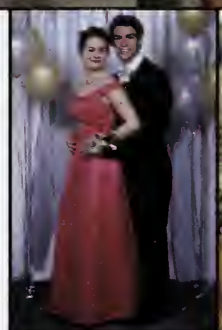
Trust God from the bottom of your heart; don't try to figure out everything on your own. Listen for God's voice in everything you do, everywhere you go; He's the one who will keep you on track. Proverbs 3:5-6

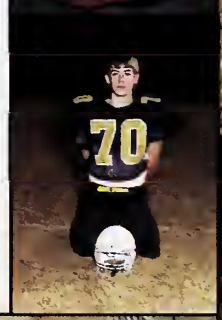
The years have passed so quickly! It seems like just yesterday you were our "little man." Now you are a young man, one who has challenged and proven himself worthy of much happiness and success.
We are so proud of the wonderful person you have become.

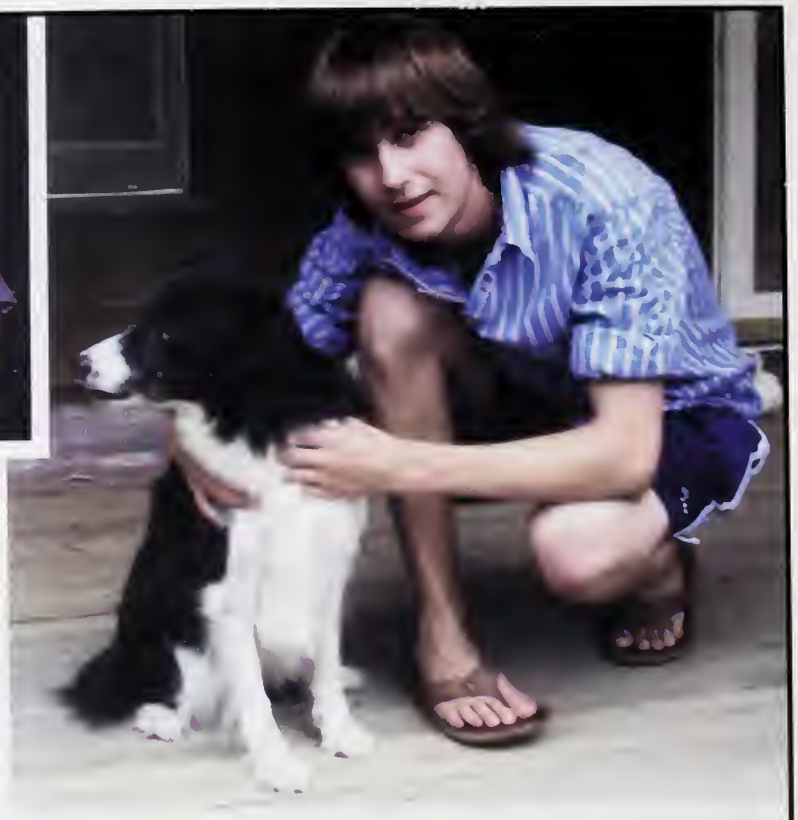
Love you bunches!!!!
Mom, Dad, & Aleise "Shortie"

Patrick Proctor

To a wonderful son who has always used his gifts and talents for the good, one who always set the best example for his brother, one who is loyal, kind and generous. We are so proud of you and all that you have accomplished. Congratulations Patrick! Love, Mom and Dad







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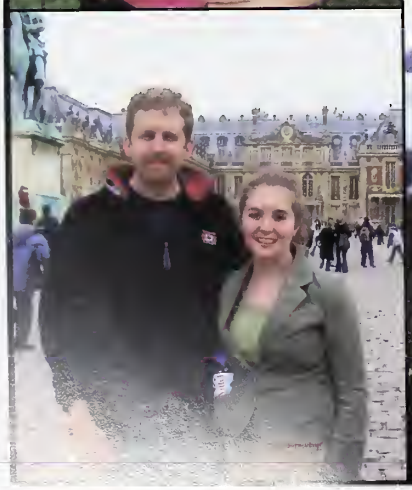
"Don't lose the dreams inside your head."
We love you and are proud of your accomplishments.

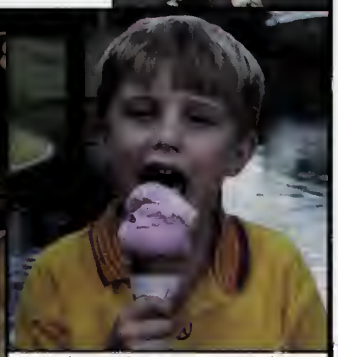
-Mom, Dad and Gray

RACHEL SHAUGER

Dear Rachel,
The world awaits
... enjoy each day
of your journey!
Always know that
you have a home in
our hearts.
All our love,
Mom, Dad and
Fiona



Michael,
We are so proud of...
your kind heart
your wise decisions
and your many achievements!
"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams."
Love, Mom, Dad, and Jamie



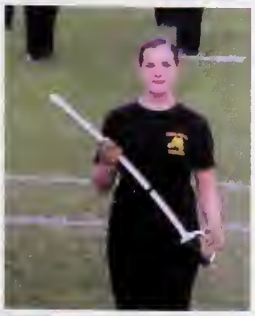
Michael Schoenfeld

Congratulations Peter!

We're proud, too.
Love, Mom and Dad

Peter Smutko

Sophia Dorothy Sullivan
Congratulations, Sophie Dot!



All I want for you are Blue Sky Days,
Many gentle years and open ways,
A place to be that gives you room to care,
A love to keep you safe when I'm not there.

Blue Sky Days
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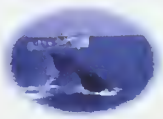
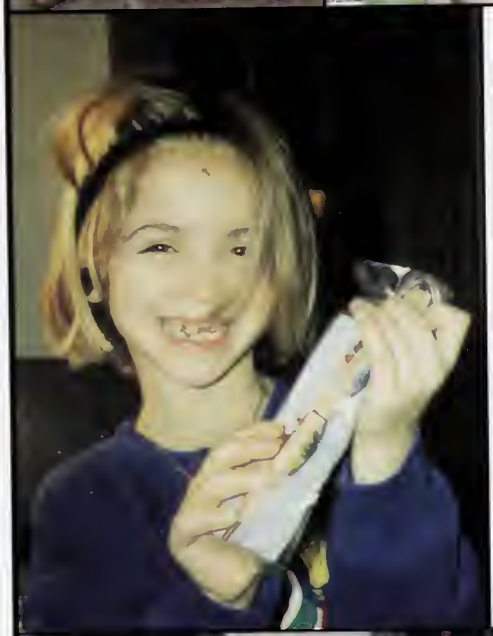
Dwight Sullivan

We are So Proud of You!!!
Mommy, Daddy, Aunt Cindy, Cousin Priscilla, Bdette, and Katharine



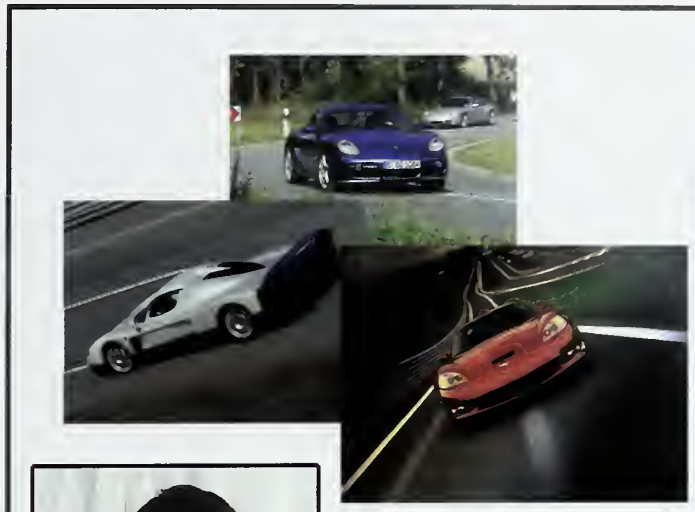


Susannah Aiken Small

We Love You
Mom, Deed,
Matt, Nat, Weas

Hongsuk Song

Thanks for a perfect year
I'm looking forward to
many more~ Mahal kita!
-Julianne



Daniel,

May you reach all your destinations in style!

Mom, Dad, and Hank

SAMANTHA LESLIE THOMAS

What an amazing young woman you have become. We are so proud of you and all your accomplishments. The door is wide open to your future. May all your dreams come true.
We love you so very much
Mom, Dad and Bri

It's an amazing thought that you are the same child that slept in our arms. The progress toward adulthood that you have made is extraordinary. We could not be any prouder of you than we are right now. It would be nice though, if you would get out of the habit of being a slacker. A very high standard slacker, but a slacker none the less. We love you,

MOM, DAD and ALEX

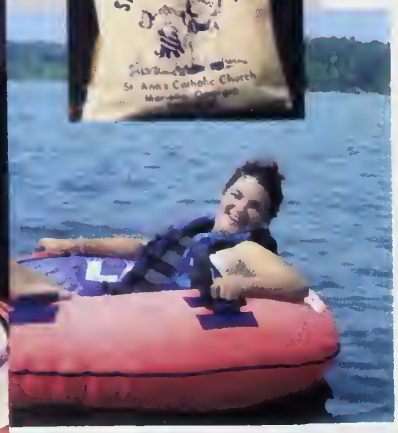
Marcus Allan Tortorice
Class of 2006

You are a star in our eyes

Katie Tygielski

You accepted the challenge
You have broken boundaries
You are incredible
And we love you.

Mom, Dad & Beth



Allegra Liana Torres

Laughing Allegra,
You have brought great joy to our lives.
Lively Allegra,
And some excitement too!
Loving Allegra,
We have all learned the meaning of love.
Latina Allegra,
There has never been anyone quite like you.

Elizabeth Ellen White

Decisions, decisions, decisions.

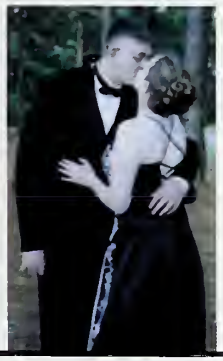
We love you Liz, Care, Jake, Mom, Jeff and Simon

You are in the driver's seat now!

Amy Elizabeth Varner

Beloved Amy,
You have been blessed with being smart, and doubly so, as we have seen true wisdom beyond your years in your thoughts and actions. As you mature to an adult, may God bless you and your endeavors.

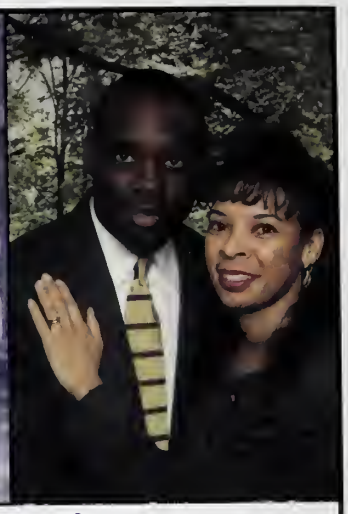
All our love,
Mom, Dad, Rudy



"To thine own self be true, and it must follow, as the night the day, thou canst not then be false to any man." *-Shakespeare*

Whoever acknowledges me before men, the Son of Man will also acknowledge him before the angels of God. -Luke 12:8

Love you always,
Grandma & Grandpa



! CONGRATULATIONS !

DERRELL

"DEUCE"

We are very proud of you and your accomplishments. All blessings come from God, big and small. A year ago you were blessed and you accepted the challenge of a lifetime to attend NCSSM. Not everyone is fortunate to have the opportunity to be enriched with skills and knowledge taught at such a prestigious school of higher learning.

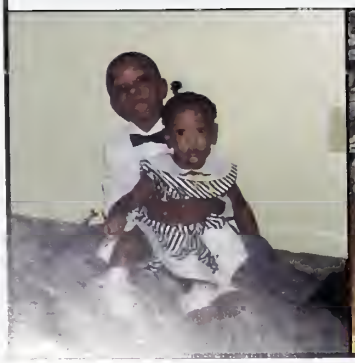
We are grateful and thankful that you have done exceedingly abundantly above what we or others ever imagined you would do. EXCELLENT! Allow your steps to be ordered by the LORD and HE will direct your path. Life is just beginning for you; so always do your best. Keep up the good work. Always remember we're only a phone call away.

KIANA SAYS, "GO BRO."

LOVE YA,

THE McKOY FAMILY: MOM, DAD, AND LITTLE SISTER

SHIRLEY EDWARD KIANA



Derrell J. Vann

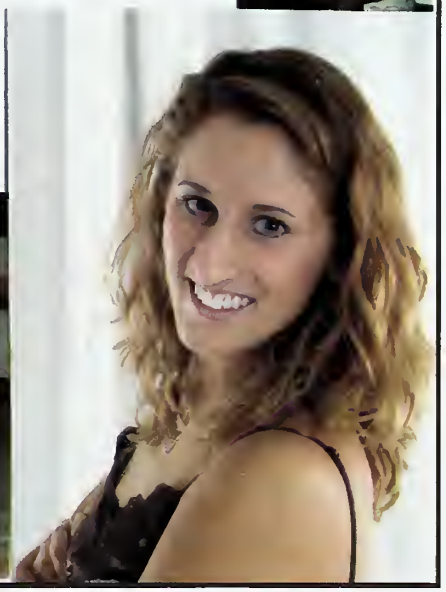
I love you son.

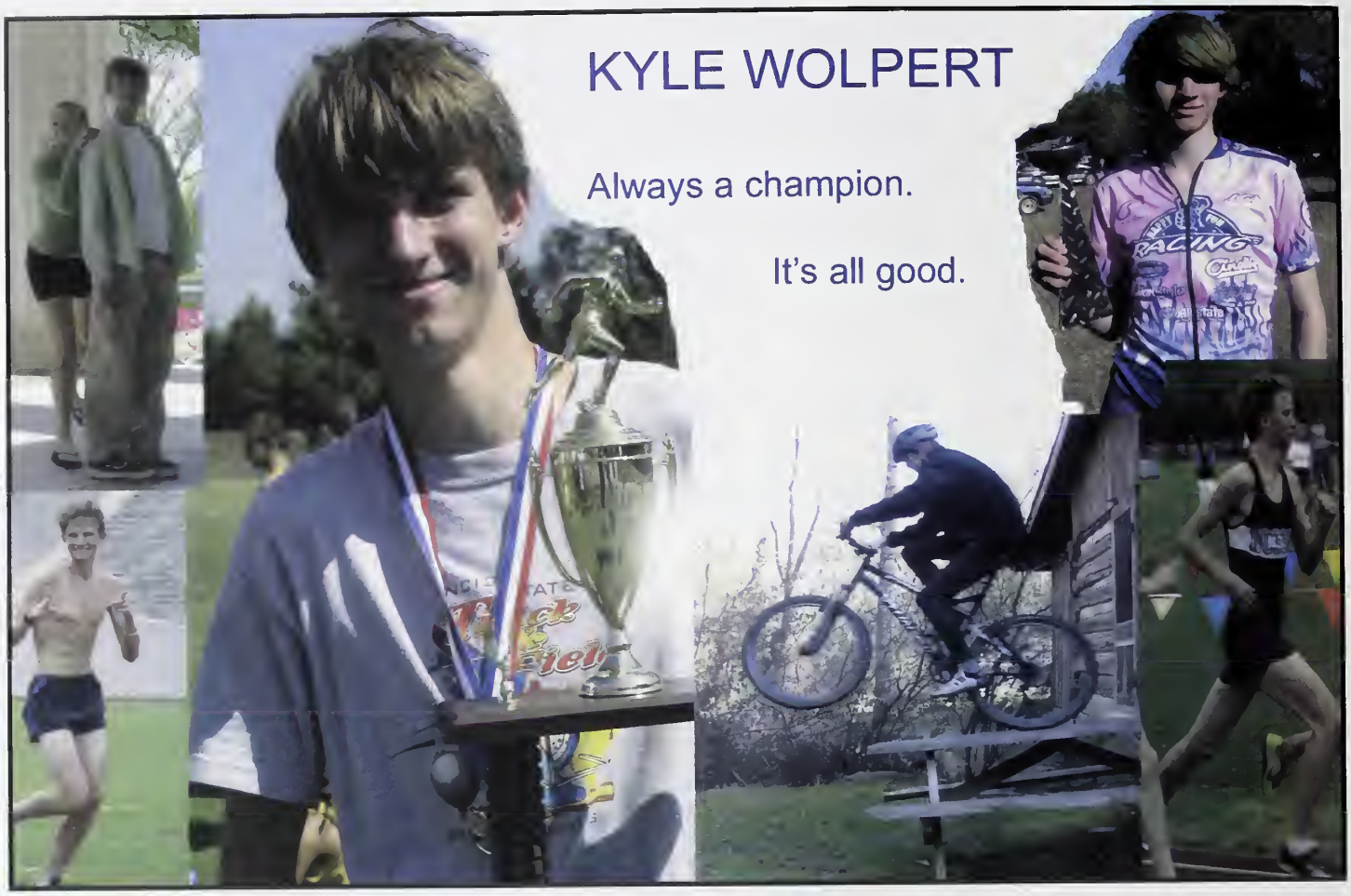
I'm so proud of you.

With all my love,
Your father
Darryl

Ashley Morgan Vroom

Congratulations Ashley!
You have grown to be a beautiful and intelligent lady and
we are so proud of you and your accomplishments.
Graduation marks the day of facing life on your own terms.
You have the character and drive to do and
become whatever you desire.
Always remember your family loves you very much.

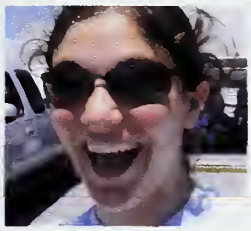


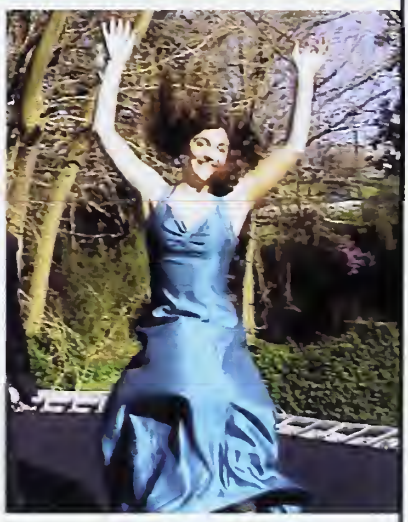


Mandy Woodruff

Congratulations! We love you and are proud of you.

Mom, Dad, Quinn, Bradley, and Mallory





"To be nobody-but-yourself -- in a world which is doing its best, night and day, to make you everybody else -- means to fight the hardest battle which any human being can fight; and never stop fighting." ee cummings

~ Will Yelton ~

All these years I thought I was teaching you ... you were teaching me. - Dad

My heart fills with pride at the mere mention of your name. - Mom

You out-did yourself this time; best of luck. - David

You're my favorite brother! (May I borrow 10 bucks?) - Mandy

I yub you too Will. - Ben

We are so proud of everything you do and especially who your ARE. We love you Will ... ALL THE MUCH.

A Letter from the Editor

First and foremost, a huge thank you to Fred Hurteau, John Kirk, Craig Rowe, Kevin Cromwell, Joe Liles, N.C. Museum of History, Steve Jones, and the wonderful, *wonderful* Odyssey staff.

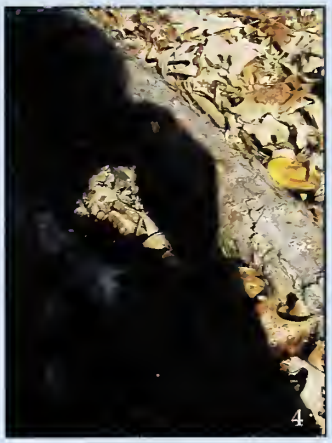
When we first started working on the yearbook everything was new, from the people to the program. We switched from Quark to Indesign and didn't have access to the program (which none of us knew how to use) until the end of first trimester. It was Steve's first year as advisor, and there were only four returning editors—I was terrified. I never could have imagined that we would create such a first-rate book. You guys have amazed me.

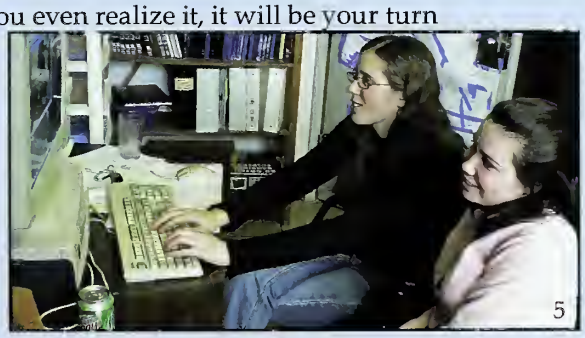
I owe a particularly enormous debt (and countless weekends) to Sarah Schoenfeldt and Steve Jones. They, more than anyone, pulled up their sleeves and truly committed themselves to the creation of this book. Anytime they were needed--Friday nights, Saturday mornings, lunches, dinners, extendeds—they were there. Together, we toiled away in that strangely colored room where 25 years worth of NCSSM yearbooks, whose stories were similar to ours, were stored. You guys already know it (and don't hate me for the cliché) but, without you, this yearbook could not have been made. Thank you. Thank you a million times over.

On a final note, I want to congratulate the class of 2006. And to the class of 2007, I leave you with one word of advice. Take a look around you; breathe it in. Remember to enjoy every moment, because, before you even realize it, it will be your turn to walk across the stage.

Gxis la revido
(a final farewell)

-Julia Lockamy





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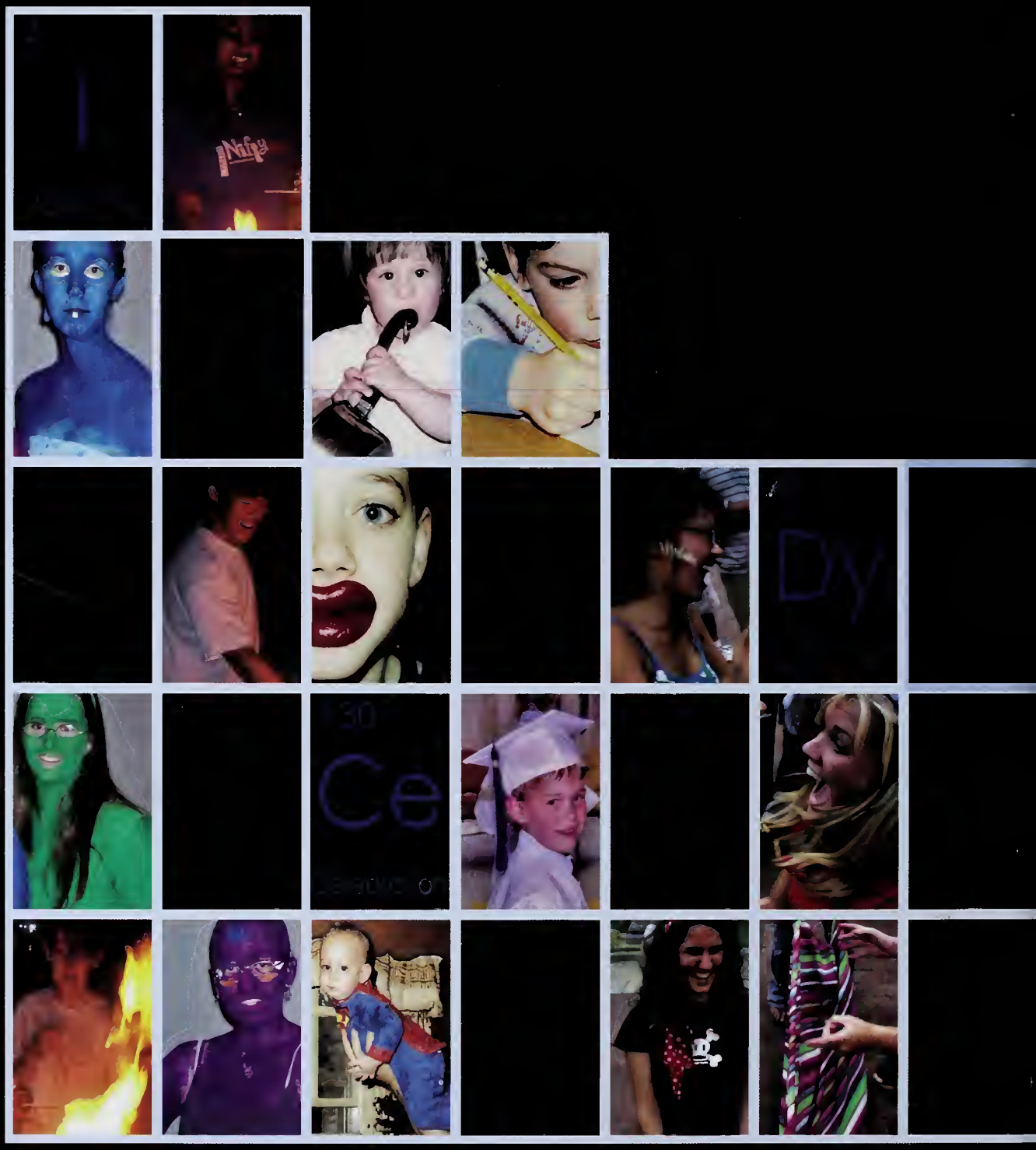

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